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Baby Imogen announces her arrival in the world IN A CAR PARK AT PC WORLD!



LEFT: Imogen is a picture of health, despite her dramatic sudden entry into the world!

Report by **TIM CHAPMAN**

A Barry mum racing to the University Hospital of Wales, was forced into an impromptu stop-off at PC World's car park, Culverhouse Cross, to give birth to little Imogen.

The drama took place last Saturday, September 6, after mum Katie Jenkins was told by doctors to make the trip to Cardiff, as a midwife had gone on from Barry to help another mum-to-be in St Athan.

Katie's mother Annelie told The GEM: "On Saturday afternoon, Katie was checked by a midwife who had to go on to St Athan for a woman whose situation appeared to be more urgent."

"Katie was going to have a home birth and

had arranged a birthing pool which costs £90.

"My husband Keith and I arrived at Katie's house and Keith took her sons Spencer and Joel back to our house."

"I stayed with her, and we got to the stage where there was no break in the contractions and we phoned the Heath who told us to come in."

"Katie's partner James drove and I was in the back with Katie."

"Fortunately, we had the presence of mind to take towels."

"As we got to Wenvoe Golf Club, her waters broke. "We called an ambulance and had to pull into the car park at PC World, Culverhouse Cross."

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MEMORIES ARE MADE OF THIS AS WOOLWORTHS' STAFF ENJOY A REUNION



ABOVE:

ON Saturday, August 30, former members of staff of Barry Woolworths met up for a happy reunion. Reminiscences dated back as far as the 1950s and many wonderful memories were exchanged. Lynne Bryan said: "We want to thank College Fields for hosting the reunion. We also want to thank the people who attended and made donations to a raffle with proceeds going to the nursing home."

Cemetery's anniversary

THIS Saturday (September 13) Barry Town Council and Barriars will mark the 125th anniversary of the Merthyr Dyfan Cemetery.

The council says everyone is welcome. The day is an opportunity for local people to find out more about a place that is sacred to the town.

Cemeteries' manager, Angie Norman, explained: "Our special day will start at 10am and goes on until 4.30pm."

"There are lots of things planned - vehicles used during funerals throughout history, displays, walks and talks hosted by the friends of the cemetery, along with information from Glamorgan Archives and the Glamorgan Family History Society."

At 3pm, there will a dedication service and a boulder marking the 125th anniversary will be dedicated.

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'NHS on a path to privatisation'

I WAS not surprised to read the 'Conservatives' attack on our Welsh NHS in The GEM last week, but the truth is far more sinister.

Since the last election, they have deliberately embarked on a path of privatising the NHS in England.

Pathology, ambulance services, out of hours GP services, and even surgery, have all been

offered up to profiteers.

This despite the fact that the privatisation has been a disaster – many contracts show a complete failure by private providers.

Our NHS may not be perfect, but it is accountable – private companies are only accountable to their shareholders and to profit.

Everyone reading this should be thankful that health is devolved.

Robert Morgan,
Barry Island.

'Hospital a jewel in Welsh NHS crown'

MAY I, through your paper, and on behalf of my family, thank all the doctors and staff of Ward 19, Princess of Wales, Bridgend for the wonderful care, patience and understanding they gave my late sister.

The bad press the hospital has been subjected to recently, will always overshadow the immense amount of hard work and loving care given by the vast

majority of the staff.

As a family we are truly in awe of the kindness my sister was shown and so very grateful for the gentle, caring way they responded to our Mum, who is nearly 90, when she rang daily over a period of 12 weeks.

We should all be humbly proud of our NHS and the Princess of Wales is a true jewel in its crown.
Penny Jenkins,
Pontypridd.

'Excellent care by Welsh NHS'

I WRITE in support of the letter in The GEM, on September 4 by Mr G Smith, and would like to urge your readers' vigilance against Tory attacks on our Welsh NHS, both from MP Alun Cairns and the party's Assembly members.

While they and their supporters have the right to express their views, they must not be allowed to go unchallenged by actual experiences of their constituents.

The regular attacks on ambulance response times in Wales do not correlate with my experience.

I have a friend with a chronic health problem that takes him off to hospital almost every month, and the ambulance response

times, as well as the care from the paramedics, has been exemplary.

Not only that, I too have had reason to call a Welsh ambulance following injuries, (through my own negligence, I confess) and the response times were totally acceptable.

Furthermore, both my friend and I will vouch for the excellent care the Welsh NHS offers, once the ambulance personnel hand over to the hospital.

Unless we resist the hidden agenda to drip-feed us into accepting privatisation of our NHS, we will lose one of the finest achievements that Britain has ever secured.

England is already on its way to that sad state, unless a future Westminster Government slams on the brakes.

Marc Delaney,
Barry.

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Darren Farm: Llandow site is better option than Cowbridge'

I AM about to return from a visit to our old family home in Cowbridge and am horrified to learn once again of the return and increased scale of the proposed housing development up the Llantwit Road from Darren Farm.

I understand this is Grade One agricultural land. Where I live now in Devon, we treasure land which enables us to grow crops and helps to avoid increasing our already huge food imports.

Yesterday, Cowbridge was at a traffic standstill. I was unable to find a parking spot to visit the bank and the chemist. I hear that resident children have been refused places at the local school. Surely this situation speaks for itself?

No-one can tell me why a part of Llandow, which appears to be such a desolate brownfield site, cannot be planned with some imagination and skill,

providing attractive homes (in what could be in just as pleasant a setting as Cowbridge itself, with its own accessible amenities), for those who do not require, or cannot afford, the executive houses that will no doubt be the most lucrative for the proposed developer at Darren Farm.

This would generally advantage and humanise the industrial estate. Surely, many people would like to see it become a successful village, perhaps even similar to the Poundbury development in Dorset, rather than overload services in Cowbridge (which the local authority has already planned to cut).

The Darren Farm development, I remember well, has already – at vast ratepayer's expense – been judged legally and morally inappropriate for an area of 'outstanding natural beauty'.

The purpose of this letter is to stress that we must never forget the aesthetic importance of our picturesque countryside, which attracts visitors whom the Government recognise support the local economy. Once lost, it can never be regained.

Go and watch the beautiful sunset over this land. Nature nurtures the soul and without it, we will all be so much the poorer.

Delyth Parry,
Yelverton, Devon.

Mice more important than human beings?

I WRITE in reply to Isobel Hutchinson's letter (The GEM, September 4), urging people not to take the Ice Bucket Challenge in aid of Motor Neurone Disease research, because they test on mice.

How utterly disgusting that she should make this ridiculous statement when there are men, women and children suffering every day with this terrible disease.

I am confounded at the narrow mindedness of Animal Aid, who think that mice are more important than people.

The people who do the Ice Bucket Challenge nominate friends and they all contribute, by text, to this very worthy cause – thus providing much-needed funds to continue the research.

I shall never again, give a penny to animal charities if this is the damaging and crass mentality they maintain. Ms Hutchinson, you should be ashamed.
Sarah Morris,
Bridgend.

POO BAGS

WHY don't the people who complain about receiving only five poo bags for their dogs go to the 99 store in Holton Road, Barry and get 200 bags for 99 pence? I am an OAP and buy these for my dog.
Mrs AE Thomas, Barry.

Summit for nothing!

SO Barry became a police state for a couple of days – but hey, frigates in the ocean, fly pasts, hosting world signatories, including Big O and his 1,000-plus entourage – was all very exciting – so admit it.

Not too impressed, though, with the Tesco Extra security which meant I had to fight a cavalcade of cops on bikes, cars and vans who took over the car park, some with guns – for the meal deal.

Like me, they all went for the yellow stickers. I got my 'deal' though, as now I'm the proud owner of a blue beanie cap. Ha!
Karen Gallimore,
Barry.

Where is the Memo organ?

I HAVE just returned from a few days spent in Wales. I had a trip to Barry and as I belong to an organ society, I was very interested to see the organ in your Memorial Hall, Barry.

I could not believe it was no longer there and had been collected five years ago by a company called ATOS and nobody could tell me where it is now.

I just cannot believe anyone authorising the removal of this organ, with so much history and many professional organists in concert there, over the years.

From a devastated visitor,
Mrs B Dunn, Sidmouth, Devon.

Shock, horror... THE CARPENTER WAS A GIRL!

HOW times have changed. It is with interest and a little envy that I read the recent articles regarding the young ladies pursuing a career in the building trades, with the help of Jehu.

It was a very different story 30 years ago when I secured a place on a theatre carpentry course at London & Hammersmith College of Builders (much to my parents' horror).

I was the only female at the college, and was constantly harangued by students in other disciplines.

It became a running joke that my lovely classmates were considered to be my bodyguards.

When it came time to do two weeks' work experience, I was assigned the Criterion Theatre in Piccadilly Circus. Upon my arrival, I was greeted by the manager who said: 'That was naughty, they didn't say they were sending a girl.'

During those two weeks, the only job I was given to do was to repaint the fire bucket red.

Upon completion of the year-long course (which I passed with distinction) I began applying for carpentry jobs in local theatres, then further afield as each application was inexplicably rejected. Finally I left out the title 'Miss' and was able to secure some interviews.

The shock on the faces of the interviewers was something to see and in the end, one of them quite kindly (under the circumstances) told me: 'Look, no-one is going to hire a girl to do carpentry. You'd be better off going for a position in wardrobe.'

That put paid to my dream of becoming a carpenter.

So, at the risk of sounding like an old fogey, girls today don't know they're born!

There are college carpentry courses where a reasonable percentage are female and now building companies are encouraging them in that direction too.

I wish them all the very best. I hope they make the most of their opportunities and secretly wish I hadn't been born three decades too early.

Janet Hayles,
Barry.

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HIGH TIDE TIMES (UNTIL SEPTEMBER 11)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary.

For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20 – 25 minutes later.

DATE	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
	AM	M	PM	M
04 Thur	01.24	7.9	14.14	7.8
05 Fri	03.04	7.9	15.51	8.2
06 Sat	04.25	8.4	16.58	9.0
07 Sun	05.29	9.1	17.53	9.7
08 Mon	06.21	9.8	18.46	10.3
09 Tues	07.11	10.2	19.31	10.7
10 Wed	07.54	10.8	20.15	10.9
11 Thur	08.39	10.7	20.59	10.7

While The GEM makes every effort to check the accuracy of tide tables, we recommend that anyone putting out to sea, or walking in an area where they could be cut off, should check with a tide table specific to their location.

Campaign to add Penarth soldier Paul's name to the Cenotaph in Alexandra Park

THE Leader of the Welsh Conservatives, Andrew RT Davies AM, has called on the Vale Council to review its decision to refuse to add the name of a local fallen Royal Marine, Paul Woodland, to the Cenotaph in Alexandra Park, Penarth.

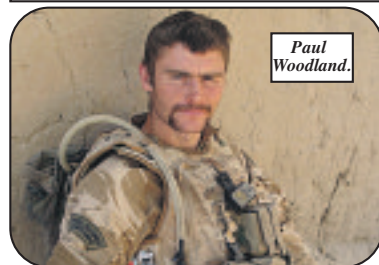
Mr Davies was contacted by Paul's fiancée, Sian. In a letter to the council leader, Coun Neil Moore, Mr Davies asked the council to put right what he argues is a case of "bureaucracy going mad".

The Vale Council stressed that it respected Mr Woodland's bravery, but pointed out that its policy was to inscribe names on a cenotaph if a Serviceman or woman had "died in conflict, not in service".

Mr Davies said: "Serving and protecting our great country and dying for that cause is the ultimate sacrifice, and the fact Paul died on active service for the Royal Marines should bypass any other factor that has been provided as an explanation for this staggering decision."

"Paul served in Afghanistan and Iraq and his name is on the National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire, which is

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Paul Woodland.

the main memorial for fallen soldiers in the UK, but not in the community where he was born, brought up, and where his fiancée and family still live.

"To me, and I'm sure to the rest of the Penarth community, that is not right."

"His fiancée and family are rightly insulted by the council's decision and I would hope that the Vale Council reviews this situation immediately and rightly puts Paul's name where it should belong."

Paul died during a Special Forces' training exercise in October 2012. In addition to service in Afghanistan and Iraq he also kept peace in Sierra

Leone. Paul's fiancée, Sian, and his family have started a petition asking for his name to be added to the local cenotaph. It can be found at: www.petitions.com/petition/paulwoodland.

At the time of The GEM going to press 1,390 people had endorsed it.

Mr Davies said: "I urge everyone, not only from Penarth, but across Wales, to sign and share this petition."

"Paul paid the ultimate sacrifice protecting us and our country and it is only right that he is remembered on the cenotaph in his hometown."

Phil Beaman, the operational manager for

parks and ground maintenance with the Vale Council, said: "The council very much recognises the bravery of the county's service personnel and I would once again like to express our deepest sympathies to Mr Woodland's fiancée and family for their loss."

"The policy on the inclusion of names on the cenotaph has been carefully considered and recognises those who have died in conflict, not in service."

"The agreed convention for the cenotaph in Alexandra Park, Penarth, is that the person to be commemorated, among other conditions, must have died on active military service for Great Britain and the Dominions in a recognised conflict."

"As Mr Woodland tragically died on active service, but not in a recognised conflict, this is the reason for the refusal of adding the name to the cenotaph. Other alternatives have been offered to Mr Woodland's fiancée, but regrettably these have not been accepted as of yet."

Ports chiefs carried out holiday safety patrols at town docks

Associated British Ports carried out patrols of the docks throughout the summer holidays, to prevent young people from getting into the port area.

Last week The GEM highlighted the concerns of Christian Long, a soldier home on leave, who was concerned that he had seen teenagers getting into a dangerous area of the docks via a ripped fence.

At the time he told The GEM: "There are warning signs, but the youngsters I saw had gone through the fence and were drinking alcohol."

"The dock is dangerous, not just because of the possibility of getting into difficulty in the water, but also because of the risk of injury from abandoned metal and equipment. It is an accident waiting to happen."

Christian had warned a group of older teenagers of the dangers and they left the area.

An ABP spokesman said: "The land in question is no longer part of the port estate and is therefore not maintained by ABP."



Christian Long at the gap in the fence.

"However, to protect local young people during the summer holidays, we mounted

extra patrols to prevent them accessing the port, which is a working industrial area."

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BABY BORN IN STORE CAR PARK!

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Annelie added: "The next thing I knew, I was having to rush round to the other side of the car to help Katie as she gave birth to Imogen!"

A paramedic then arrived on the scene. Annelie said: "I don't know what his name was, but he was brilliant and cut the cord so I could hold Imogen."

Katie was still recovering! Twenty minutes later, an ambulance was on the

scene and took her to hospital with Imogen, Annelie, James and the paramedic following behind.

The family were reunited at the University Hospital of Wales.

Amazingly, Katie was back at home by 11pm.

Annelie added: "It is no fault of the midwives, but I do think there is a shortage of them."

Despite the drama, Katie and Imogen are now both doing well back home in Barry.

A BARRY dentist is back home after conquering Mount Kilimanjaro – where he was part of a team of nine who were raising funds for an international dental charity.

Ken Chow told The GEM: "The charity for which I climbed Kilimanjaro is called Bridge2Aid, which provides dental and community care in East Africa. Their website is www.bridge2aid.org."

The group of nine was all from

the UK, and were all connected to the dental industry.

Ken said: "It was a very professional operation, and we were accompanied by a doctor who volunteered to check us for altitude sickness."

"We even had a decompression chamber."

As it turned out, all nine had some altitude sickness symptoms, but none was serious enough to be sent back down the mountain.

"However, no matter how professional the back-up team, the walking still has to be done. Remember that Kilimanjaro is six times the height of Mount

Snowdon. It requires seven solid days of hiking, and only the last day-and-a-half is downhill!"

Ken still turns out for Barry RFC – in the main for the third team, but sometimes for the seconds when there is a long injury list.

He said: "I had to do a fair amount of special training, and did a lot of walking in the Vale, and also in hillier areas."

The group is still collecting sponsorship money, and it is possible to donate by visiting the justgiving address, <http://www.justgiving.com/kenchow>

All Saints school pupils complete cycle course

PUPILS got on their bikes to start the new year at All Saints C/W Primary School.

Year-6 pupils pedalled their way to success as they completed their National Standards Cycling Level 1 and 2 course.

A spokesperson said: "This was an excellent training exercise and has taught the pupils about safe cycling on the highway and given them extremely useful and valuable lifelong skills."

"A big thank you to Sian Akers (Road Safety Officer) for making the

course such fun. No doubt, year-6 will enjoy many years of safe cycling."

UNIFORM
PUPILS also made a super-smart start to the new school year, as they showed off the redesigned school uniform.

The new school logo, designed by the pupils, takes pride of place on the new sweatshirts and cardigans.

Headteacher Clare Lewis: "I believe that the new uniform helps to foster a sense of pride in the school and the new logo sums up the strong

ethos of the school, that as many hands build a house, so many hearts make a school."

Everyone was impressed by the way the children looked and parents have commented how lovely it is to see all part of such an amazing the children looking so

smart on their first day back at school.

New deputy head teacher, Aled Williams, said: "I have had a wonderful time getting to know pupils and parents and feel very lucky to be part of such an amazing school."

Souls Awaken for a fantastic event!

THE Vale's premier Mind, Body, Spirit Souls Awakening returns to The Memo, Barry on Sunday, September 14 for another fantastic event.

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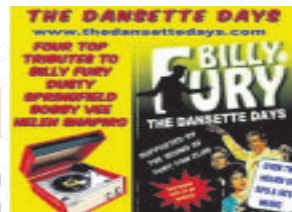
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ABOVE: Ken Chow took his rugby club flag to the summit of Kilimanjaro.

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£230m housing and commercial project arrives on starting grid



An aerial illustration of how the new housing developments will fit into the town's landscape.

THREE of the UK's biggest house builders are preparing to unveil the first phase of homes at The Quays, a £230m Waterfront regeneration project at Barry Docks.

Barratt Homes, Persimmon and Taylor Wimpey have been working collectively on the project since acquiring the 100-acre site from the Welsh Government and Associated British Ports.

The first show homes are expected to be opened in early 2015.

In addition to around 2,000 new homes, the 10-year regeneration project also includes a commercial district with bars, cafes, shops and a new ASDA

supermarket. Work on the supermarket got under way on August 29 and the company aims to open its doors in March next year.

Later phases will see improvements to community and water sports facilities, new

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public open spaces, a primary school for the area and an allocation of affordable housing.

Developers are building a new link road between Barry Island and the town. The project will include an £8m investment in local road improvements and a host of environmental and sustainable transport measures.

Consortium spokesman Richard Keogh, commented: "It has already been a long journey to arrive at what is a huge milestone for this project, with the first phase of new homes at The Quays going on sale."

"It is such a unique site, not just in Wales, but in the UK as a whole, and it is incredible to think that what was such a significant place for trade and shipping will soon become a new community with

its own identity. It can make a positive difference to the lives of people who live and work in Barry, as well as adding a new dimension to the tourism offer.

"The new Barry Island link road will not only join two communities together but, along with new walking, cycling and public transport links, can provide a solution to the island's traffic issues at peak visitor times, as well as ensuring that the new homes and facilities at The Quays will be readily accessible."

Coun Lis Burnett, Vale cabinet member for regeneration, said it was an exciting time for the town, providing clear evidence that the town is "going places".

"One only needs look at the investment at Barry Island, the exciting proposals for the Pumphouse and the progress on the new island link road which will open next year... This is very much a town that is open for business," she insisted.



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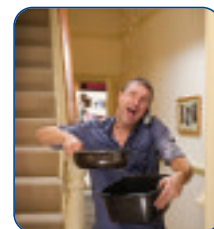
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LINKING THE CLASSROOMS!



LEFT:
Mr Ocheing
and Mr
Burman with
students at St
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Museum.

AT the end of term, Barry Comprehensive School hosted a visit from David Ocheing, a teacher from Lwanda Primary School in Kenya.

The two schools have worked together over three years in a variety of connecting classroom projects that have been funded by the British Council.

To develop literacy within both schools, students have been writing to each other and developing their knowledge of life in

other parts of the world. Pupils were excited to receive a letter from their pen pals and were keen to write back straight away. This year also saw the link's first exchange of a school newsletter, created by the students from each school.

David Ocheing (a science and agricultural teacher), observed and taught lessons in both drama and art and was able to take part in educational school trips to St Fagans and the Millennium Centre in Cardiff to watch *War Horse*.

He offered cultural talks to many students and also helped harvest

potatoes from the school garden, alongside our very own gardening club.

Mr Ocheing thoroughly enjoyed his time in Barry. A special welcome assembly included performances from the cast of *Joseph* and the drama club, student speeches about poverty and gifts from both schools were exchanged.

The 'Connecting Classrooms' link between Barry Comprehensive School and Lwanda Primary School is now in its third year and students and staff are already looking forward to next year.



Mr Ocheing and Mrs Ellis at Barry Comprehensive School.

Special time out for families at Vale fun day



A FAMILY fun day at Barry's Palmerston Community Learning Centre recently, included face painting and petting animals, provided by the Nearly Wild Show.

The day was aimed at families who have children with additional needs, and over 20 disability organisations were on hand to provide information

and advice about their services in the Vale.

Young people from Local Motion Dance gave a performance and the Teen Scheme choir showcased a medley of songs that kept everyone entertained. Young people were also recognised for their achievements and Coun Chris Elmore presented them with certificates.

Pool will reopen soon

WORK on the swimming pool at Penarth leisure centre following the fire earlier this year, has almost been completed.

A large scaffolding platform is being dismantled and work has commenced on replacing grouting in the pool.

It is hoped to reopen the pool in a few weeks' time.

Coun Gwyn John, cabinet member for leisure services, said: "I am disappointed that we haven't been able to open the pool sooner, but I'm sure customers appreciate that it is extremely important that it is fully repaired and safe to use."

BARRY CHIP SHOPS PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL SALT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN

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LO SALT

Today, Wednesday 27th August, a number of local chip shops came together on Barry sea front to announce that they are taking part in a national initiative to reduce the amount of salt in people's diets.



For the first time, Barry chippies are now offering LoSalt, a reduced sodium salt, to customers as a healthier option.

This will be served in a five hole shaker and promoted with educational leaflets and posters in the chip shops. This is part of LoSalt's national 'GoLo' campaign, which aims to raise awareness of the importance of reducing salt and sodium in the diet.

To mark the announcement, LoSalt conducted educational activity and sampling on the sea front on Wednesday 27th August.

LoSalt contains 66 per cent less sodium than regular salt and it is the sodium in salt which is linked to high blood pressure, cardiovascular disease and stroke.

A portion of fish and chips can contain 5g of salt which is 2g of sodium; this is more than 80 per cent of the maximum daily allowance of 6g for salt and 2.4g for sodium. By swapping regular salt for LoSalt on their chips, customers can reduce the amount of sodium by two thirds to 0.67g of sodium.

A record 369 chip shops around the UK are taking part and offering LoSalt as a healthier option. This is the first time an initiative has been conducted like this on this scale.

Caroline Klinge from LoSalt said: "In the UK we continue to eat too much salt and it's great that Barry chip shops are helping us take this important message out to the public and that they are offering people a healthier, reduced sodium option."

Craig O'Shea from local chip shop, O'Shea's Fish and Chip Café, Paget Road, Barry Island added: "As a seaside town, fish and chips are a huge part of our local heritage and do have a role to play as part of a healthy, balanced diet. People like fish and chips because it tastes great and almost all customers have salt on their meal. This initiative means we can offer them a healthier way to enjoy the same delicious flavour and we're delighted to be involved."



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PAUL'S MAGNIFICENT CHARITY MARATHON

RIGHT: Vale resident Paul Owen has completed the great marathon cycle ride of the United Kingdom from John O'Groats to Land's End. The distance is 1,000 miles and Paul took on the challenge unsupported and staying in B & Bs. At the latest count he had raised £2,910 for MIND, the mental health charity



TOUR DATE AT ST DONAT'S

ACOUSTIC singer, composer and musician Louise Jordan, who has just launched her third album 'Veritas', will stop off at St Donats Arts Centre on Friday, October 11 at 7.30pm.

With four recordings, six UK tours and one European tour already under her belt, Louise Jordan is back on the road visiting venues across the UK. She will perform tracks from her album 'Veritas', including an original song about New Forest smuggler Lovey Warne.

U3A's World War One talk

ON Monday, September 1, Barry U3A held its first meeting after the summer break.

Mr Gavin Davies gave an interesting and topical talk on events leading up to the outbreak of World War One. Most of those present knew little if anything about the background politics, and left with a far greater understanding of the dynamics of the time.

Mr Davies included some humorous snippets of information which illustrated that politicians and military leaders

were, to put it mildly, prone to mistakes!

The meeting was the last to be held at Jerusalem Church Hall which is being closed.

Barry U3A will be moving to their new venue, Bethel Baptist Church Hall for their meeting on Monday, October 6 at 2pm.

New members are always made welcome to come along listen to a speaker, have a cup of tea, perhaps join one of the interest networks and certainly make some new friends.

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GROUP UP FOR AWARDS

THE Lloyds Bank Community Fund 2014 opens for voting today, helping local people have a positive impact at the heart of their community by giving grants to four good causes in each of the 350 communities across the UK.

In each community, the good cause that receives the most votes will receive a £3,000 award, with the second placed group receiving an award of £2,000, those in third and fourth place receiving £1,000 and £500 respectively.

The eight community groups shortlisted are, in Barry: Barry Beavers Disabled Swimming Club; Palmerston Play; Oak Field Primary School and Vale People First. In Penarth: Ty Hafan; Dinas Powys Voluntary Concern (DPVC); Marie Curie Hospice, Cardiff and The Vale, and JDRF South West and Wales.

Public voting for the Community Fund 2014 is open until October 10. Votes can be cast in Lloyds Bank branches, online, by SMS text message and, for the first time, via Twitter. To find out more and vote visit www.lloydsbank.com/communityfund.

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Fundraisers cycle Taff Trail challenge TWICE in memory of little Oscar

TARGET IS £10,000 FOR CHILDREN'S HOSPICE

TACKLING one 52-mile cycling challenge wasn't enough for a team of dedicated fundraisers who decided to complete it twice in memory of a toddler who died in June this year.

Oscar Evans, aged two-and-a-half, sadly lost his battle with a rare genetic condition (Menkes Disease) on June 1.

And now, his family and friends are on a fundraising mission – to raise £10,000 in his memory for Tŷ Hafan, the family hospice for young lives at Sully.

Oscar's father, Andrew Evans, of Pontprennau, and his 'Oscar's Army' teams cycled from Cardiff to Brecon last Saturday

evening before getting on their bikes again the next day to tackle Tŷ Hafan's popular Taff Trail cycling challenge which finished in Bute Park, Cardiff.

They joined 100 teams to complete the full Taff Trail challenge from Brecon and the two women's teams, Oscar's Angels, tackled the half Taff with 37 other groups from Merthyr Tydfil to Cardiff.

Andrew said: "We took part in the Taff Trail challenge last year and raised just short of £5,000. This year, we decided to take part again but with an extra twist.

"We decided to double the challenge and cycle from Cardiff to Brecon the night before, completing a total of 104 miles in two days.

"This year has been far more emotional as we are now raising funds in memory of our gorgeous



ABOVE: 'Oscar's Army' teams at the starting line of the Tŷ Hafan Taff Trail Cycling Challenge.

"above: son Oscar, who devastatingly passed away in June this year. We can't thank Tŷ Hafan enough for what they have done for us and we have a target in mind of £10,000 which we would like to raise for Tŷ Hafan in Oscar's memory."

He added: "It is vitally important for people to fundraise for Tŷ Hafan so that they continue to provide amazing care for life-limited children and their families."

A number of teams took part due to personal connections with the charity, including 'Team Alice' and five 'Amazing Archie' teams who cycled in memory of two-year-old Archie

Watson. Welsh Paralympic cyclist Mark Colbourne MBE also took on the challenge after officially starting the event in Brecon at 8.30am.

He said: "It was fantastic to see more than 500 cyclists raring to go at the start line. Everybody had great fun and there was lots of laughing and camaraderie along the route, which was wonderful."

"Tŷ Hafan is a fantastic cause doing amazing work for life-limited children and it was great to see so many people supporting and raising money on the day. Well done Tŷ Hafan for

organising such a fantastic fundraising event!"

The event, sponsored by GVA, is expected to raise more than £50,000 for Tŷ Hafan, which needs to raise £3.7m each year to provide its services. Tŷ Hafan would also like to thank Brecon Carreg, Burtons Biscuits, Laguna Health and Spa, 9bar and Steve Gunter Photography for their support.

The charity's next event is its west Wales Rainbow Run in Pendine Sands, Carmarthenshire, on Saturday, September 27. For more information or to register, please visit www.rainbowrunwales.co.uk

'Prayers in the Air' launched in Vale

A MASS balloon launch dubbed 'Prayers in the Air' will launch the Open Churches Day being staged by nine churches in the Vale of Glamorgan this coming weekend.

Seven churches from the East Vale group of churches are combining with two neighbouring chapels for the event, organised as part of the CADW Open Doors programme, which sees heritage sites throughout Wales opening to the public for free this month.

The day will start with the launch of 200 balloons from the church tower of St Nicholas at 10am this Saturday, September 13. Each balloon will carry a prayer written by local school children and residents.

This will be followed at 10.15am by a short walk from St Nicholas via Trehill and Croes y Parc Chapels to Peterston Church, where walkers can enjoy their packed lunches and listen to a music recital from noon onwards.

The walk will then continue on to Pendoylan.

The nine churches and chapels which will open between 10am and 3pm are Croes-y-Parc Baptist Church; Trehill



Rev Canon Edwin Counsell abseils down!

Presbyterian Church; St George's; St George-super-Ely; St Mary's, Bonvilston; St Donat's, Welsh St Donats; St Cadoc's, Pendoylan; St Peter's, Peterston-super-Ely; St Nicholas, St Nicholas and St Brides, St Brides-super-Ely.

All churches will be displaying church records and St Mary's will also be showing the history of Bonvilston. The day will end with the ringing of the church bells at around 3pm.

Last year, Rev Martyn Davies and Rev Canon Edwin Counsell abseiled down the church tower at Welsh St Donats as hundreds turned out to walk, cycle, jog and horse ride between the churches on open doors day.

This year, most people will be walking: "We just wanted to do something different this year and engage more with the schools, so we

asked pupils at the four Church in Wales schools in the area to write the majority of prayers and messages for the balloons," said Rev Martyn Davies, of the East Vale group of parishes.

"Hopefully, this will encourage children to come to the launch, come to church and to pray. There will be a competition for the balloon that travels the furthest.

"By slowing the whole day down and by taking the walking route past the two chapels, it will make the event more ecumenical and enable people to engage more with each other across all the age ranges.

"And I'm certainly not sorry that I don't have to abseil again!"

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'State of Nature' report is under the microscope

'THE State of Nature' report was much in the news last week.

Barry & Vale Friends of the Earth had a successful meeting with Erica Dixon, the Vale's ecology officer, to discuss it.

Erica gave a presentation which revealed how little meadowland and open space is available and how much of our biodiversity has been lost.

The group were horrified to hear of landowners who break the law by ploughing up rare wildlife rich meadows, to prepare for housing which has not even had permission and which many local people oppose.

The group agreed with Erica, that developers who are out to despoil our environments should first be stopped.

Secondly, they should be negotiated with, if development is given the go-ahead and thirdly, much more money has to be paid out, to compensate for the loss of habitats, so they can be replaced, on a larger scale.

The group agreed that developers should comply with all national/international wildlife laws and

regulations, while providing ecology reports.

The group were concerned to hear that Erica's working partner in promoting biodiversity has not been re-appointed, leaving Erica to do a difficult job alone.

We will be asking the Vale Council to appoint a full-time biodiversity officer to work alongside Coun Rob Curtis, the Vale's biodiversity champion, with a remit to increase biodiversity, through ensuring a green belt around Barry.

We should include the extension/joining up of the ancient woodland areas which are already protected, and the redevelopment of the old Environmental Studies Centre in Weycock Cross Woodlands.

The children and young people of the Vale would then have a local base to learn about their environments.

We urge the Vale Council to take up these challenges, take the environment from the bottom of their list, and begin the journey of recovery for our decimated wildlife.

As our Patron Saint said: "Take care of the little things"

Keith Stockdale
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'Thank you very much to the people of Wales. I've had a wonderful time' – President Obama

THE NATO SUMMIT HAS PUT WALES ON WORLD STAGE!

LITTLE did we know what a momentous occasion and significant point in history the 2014 Nato summit would be when it was announced that it would be in Wales, at the Celtic Manor in Newport.

At the time, we realised that this would mean that a sitting President of the United States, Barack Obama, would be visiting Wales.

However, we could not anticipate the enormous impact his visit would have – not only in terms of his vital and prominent role as a world leader at the Nato summit, but also his engagement with the people of Wales during his short time with us, leaving with these words:

"Thank you very much to the people of Wales. I've had a wonderful time. I want to thank the people of Newport and Cardiff and the people of Wales for welcoming me and my delegation so warmly," – President Barack Obama September 5, 2014.

I was fortunate to

have been invited to the reception hosted by the Prince of Wales at Celtic Manor, which was attended by many world leaders, who met a wide range of people from across Wales, including our Mayor of the Vale of Glamorgan Coun Howard Hamilton. St David's Award winners were invited to the reception, including Karin Williams from Rhosneigr, who was recognised for her courage and bravery as the 'lollipop lady' who was severely injured protecting her pupils outside Rhosneigr Primary School last year.

It was wonderful to see Karin Williams being introduced to the President by the Prince of Wales. The most compelling moment for me was seeing the way President Obama spoke to children and young people from local primary and secondary schools to greet him.

They held out their hands and beamed at him as he asked their names and thanked them for coming to see him and giving him their messages for the summit. I think his warmth, humanity and dignity shone through at every public occasion he

ASSEMBLY NOTES



by Jane Hutt
AM (Minister for Finance)

attended – including those shots of him at Stonehenge, on his way back to the heavy burdens of state which awaited him in the United States.

I was also pleased to hear about the excellent service provided by Cardiff Airport which received and hosted the planes of world leaders during the summit and received many delegations and accompanying staff and press.

Congratulations to all the Cardiff Airport staff, who have worked so hard to give such an excellent and professional service to dignitaries from across the world, while maintaining their normal

business. Also, many local businesses were fully engaged in the summit such as the team of cabinet makers who made giant 25m tables for the world leaders to sit around. That team was from Llandow in the Vale, led by Paul Rathkey.

Of course, there were tensions leading up to the summit about the impact it would have on the lives of people in this part of Wales; but I have had nothing but expressions of praise and pride expressed about the welcome we gave in Wales – and the important fact that Wales was at the forefront of international news across the world. Wales was on the world map.

Leading up to the summit questions were asked about what it could achieve. Dr Christian Bueger of Cardiff University said: "At this summit, Nato will have to confront its future." He also highlighted the challenges the world leaders faced and would discuss. To hear Ukraine President Poroshenko speak about the peace treaty he had secured for his country and people at Celtic Manor on Friday was

momentous. We all hope and pray for the ceasefire to hold and negotiations to continue towards a long-lasting settlement.

The children and young people who have spent time preparing for the Nato summit from across Wales, made a huge impact on President Obama and his colleagues, with their messages about the world they want to grow up in 'where people from different countries and cultures can live in peace together' as Elin Hemstock from Wrexham said in her message to the summit.

Before the summit, Dr Bueger said: "Nato will put Wales on the world stage."

He was right to predict this and I believe the summit made this happen. We now have to move forward to ensure we maximise those benefits, locally, nationally and internationally – for the sake of the children and young people of Wales, who will never forget the time they met the President of the United States of America.

I believe they were representing children and young people from across the world.

Mayor hears of plans for coastwatch station

THE Mayor and Mayoress of the Vale recently visited the Coastwatch Station at Nell's Point, Barry Island and were given a guided tour by the station manager, Terry Ewington and Jeni Sweet, the watchkeeper on duty.



The Mayor, Coun Howard Hamilton, said: "This has been a very interesting visit and I have learnt so much about the work of the National Coastwatch Institution. I would like to thank all the volunteers who give up their time to man this station and provide a valuable service to the public".

The coastwatch station at Nell's Point was the first NCI Station established on the Welsh coast. In August this year, the NCI were allocated a national license by

OFCOM for the use of a VHF channel. This will help communications between NCI lookouts and seafarers on a variety of routine matters.

Stations will be able to respond to requests from passing, as well as local sailing craft and fishing vessels for radio checks, as well as actual weather and sea state conditions.

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'Not the same as FGM cruelty'

IN response to your recent correspondent, Mr Christopher Short, on the delicate subject of FGM and circumcision, I can't quite decide whether he is being truly disingenuous or simply ignorant.

Anyone who can consider FGM, an act of hideous lifetime cruelty, to be on the same plane as the latter, seems so very short on imagination. Paul Eddins, Llantwit Major.

'NOT EQUALLY ABHORRENT'

AS THE GEM is a family newspaper, I will not go into detail, but simply point out to a recent letter writer, Mr Short, that the results of FGM, should the girl survive, include long term gynaecological and urinary infections through the sewing up of the area; appalling pain during intercourse, and danger to both mother and child when the victim comes to give birth.

And the purpose of

'Give little guys a chance, Sid!'

IN answer to the letter in last week's GEM from the alter ego of Sid the Seagull...

My husband and I have lived in the same house in Barry for 45 years. We are not that close to the sea, but for the last two or three years we have been inundated by nesting seagulls. Two chicks were born on our roof this year and two more on a near neighbour's roof.

Apart from squawking and squeaking from the gulls and chicks at 1am, 3am and 5am and at regular intervals during the day, their droppings on washing lines, windows and cars are an unpleasant nuisance.

Until three years ago, our garden feed boxes were visited by chaffinches, goldfinches, greenfinches, robins, blue tits and sparrows. Now just one pair of

this practice is to deprive the victim of any sexual pleasure, thereby keeping her 'chaste'.

These are some of the reasons why FGM is illegal in this country.

Circumcision is a minor operation in comparison, and not carried out purely for religious reasons.

It is not 'equally abhorrent' as he suggests.

In fact, were it truly comparable, the entire external male genitalia would be removed. Mrs Bramble Coppins, Barry.

blackbirds visit as the gulls, crows and magpies have taken up residence. In fact, one magpie chick fell down our chimney and had to be rescued.

Maybe we should leave our green food waste boxes open so that Sid and his scavenging pals can help themselves. Better still, revert back to food in black bags, so they can be ripped apart and rubbish strewn over roads and pavements.

Perhaps the Vale Council should cancel their advice for us not to feed gulls and take down the notices on Penarth Pier urging us not to feed them! Seagulls are very resourceful and need no help from us finding food.

So, Sid, give the little guys a fighting chance and stop snatching food from the hands of children.

Dianne Hooper, Barry.

Wartime Weekend's poignant memories

I ENJOYED your coverage of the Wartime Weekend event which, for 'old timers' like me, brought back poignant memories of living in the town during the war years.

Barry was a very different place then. I smiled to see the old vehicles that we all knew so well, the uniforms (including PoWs) and even the ladies' styles of that time - all brought back the years 1939-1945.

The little steam train running across to the Island station was quite a novelty, although it's a pity it couldn't have been in green GWR livery!

The rather small museum on the station was also very interesting, but very limited, possibly owing to the lack of space. I would like to see it enhanced and expanded, as it could be a valuable asset to recording and expanding the town's history.

However, that would probably need a financial backer.

I would like to see the event become an annual one. David Cirell, Barry.

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Library volunteers: TWO QUESTIONS REMAIN

FURTHER to my letter to The GEM expressing concern about proposals for volunteer-led library services, I and, I assume, others who commented have now had a reply from Coun Moore.

I was pleased to note that he made it clear that no decision had been taken so far and that there would be a formal consultation on the proposals.

However, I felt two points were unclear and as I gather a number of people have also expressed concern, I felt I should write again to get the position clarified - to ensure that all who wish to comment can do so.

Firstly, Coun Moore's letter invited me to respond to the formal consultation. I am concerned that this might mean that comments received before the actual consultation will not be taken into account.

Personally, this does not cause me a problem, subject to point two below, but I feel it could cause unnecessary work and expense for others, notably those mainly elderly people who do not have easy access to the internet.

In these circumstances, I would ask the councillor to state publicly that comments received before the consultation starts will be taken into account during the decision-making process, even if the person making them has not responded formally.

Secondly, it was not clear how the consultation would be carried out and publicised.

I appreciate that this may be because the final proposals and consultation process have not been settled.

However, I think it would help if Coun Moore explained publicly how consultation will be carried out, what publicity will be given to it, and

confirmed that those who have made 'early' comments will be contacted personally, so that they can respond.

In my original letter, I expressed doubts about the council's ability to get an adequate number of volunteers and Coun Moore's reply did not convince me that this issue had been properly thought through.

Hopefully, the final scheme will deal with this, rather important, point.

Gavin Davies, Penmark.

'Nato summit was terrific for Wales' - SAYS LOCAL MP

THE Vale MP, Alun Cairns, said this week that the Nato summit "set a new benchmark for events in Wales".

He attended Prince Charles' reception in his Wales Office ministerial role at the Celtic Manor, along with Rhosce resident Karin Williams.

Mrs Williams, winner of the St David award for bravery, and the MP met President Barack Obama and Chancellor Angela Merkel during the event.

Mr Cairns reported that he had visited several schools across south Wales and met history students at Barry Comprehensive School, to explain the role of Nato.

The MP commented: "The Nato summit has been terrific for the profile of our country and for local Vale businesses like cabinet maker Rathkays. We will continue to see the benefit for years to come, and this is the new benchmark for events in Wales."

'Well done to Cardiff Airport'

SO the Nato summit has been and gone; let's hope we will see some positive outcomes.

However, we had been led to believe there might have been traffic and other disruptions - but none of it!

I drove around the airport perimeter twice a day and encountered no problems at all.

I feel congratulations should be expressed to all those at Cardiff Airport, not only to those involved in the high level logistical and political planning, but also to those who must have fulfilled their daily responsibilities with integrity and professionalism. Fiona Guthrie, Rhosce.

'Happy to have a gypsy site...'

I LIVE in Cadoxton, Barry, and recently had an anonymous flier posted through my letterbox, letting me know that the Vale Council is proposing to establish a site for gypsy/travellers on Hayes Rd, between Barry and Sully.

The flier includes an informative map of the area, with arcs emanating from Hayes Road (like shock waves from a neutron bomb), so the reader can confirm whether the site will be "within one or two miles of your home or business".

It then instructs the reader, if they are unhappy about the

proposal, to "contact your local, elected Vale councillor to register your objection", and helpfully lists all the councillors' phone numbers on the back.

However, as well as forgetting to identify themselves, the author of the flier also failed to tell the reader what they should do if they are not unhappy about the proposal - so I wasn't sure what to do.

If whoever wrote the flier is reading this, could they please advise on what we should do in the event of being perfectly happy at the prospect of people moving onto a site in the area, and simply hope that the Vale ensures that everything is properly run, and that necessary services are all in place? Carl Chapple, Barry.

Craft group's rug for Ty Hapus



LAST week Barry Hookers' crochet and craft group met as usual at Coffee Cove, Barry Island, and welcomed friends from Ty Hapus, in sharing coffee, chat, and craft ideas. A rag rug made by the craft group was then presented to Ty Hapus. Anyone can join the group on a Wednesday, between 10am and 12pm.

Streams unblocked in 'action day'

THE latest Community in Action day, held at Porthkerry Country Park, has been hailed as a success.

An army of willing voluntary helpers from all walks of life assisted rangers from Porthkerry and Cosmeston in clearing blocked streams at the end of August as part of the parks' Community in Action scheme.

Heavy rainfall and large numbers of woodland tree falls have led to an increase in the amount of material flowing and blocking the course of the streams.

Local volunteer Steve, who

has been helping at the park for years, said: "I love being able to help out and make a difference to the habitats here at the park. Together we can really make a difference. I volunteer because I love it, not because I have to do it!"

The Local Cardiff Rivers Group, Natural Resources Wales Team and local volunteers from the community, young and old, pulled on their wellies and got stuck in, and were rewarded with a free barbecue for all their hard work.

To take part in the next Community in Action event, contact the Rangers on 01446 733589.



Stream clearance at Porthkerry



'Ray's touching poem served as Welsh tribute'

THE GEM printed a poem written by Ray Pritchard of Talbot Green in its July 10 edition.

We have visited Mametz Woods on many occasions and thought the poem deserved to be exhibited as a tribute to all the Welsh who died there.

We laminated the poem and placed it on a tree on August 20, among many poppy crosses and flags. There was a steady stream of visitors including an ex-soldier, who was touched by the poem and took a photograph of it.

Thank you Mr Pritchard for your poem and for The GEM who published it.

Jean and Graham Underdown, Barry.

Vale roadworks

TEMPORARY traffic control: B4265 from Gileston Cross to the Old Mill, St Athan; Buttrills Road, Barry; Old Wick Road, Llantwit Major; Port Road East between the junction of Stirling Road and Weycock Cross roundabout, Barry.

Road closure: Hensol Road, Hensol (near Hensol Villas); Broughton Road/Church Road, Wick.

Welsh well placed for 21st century teaching



Pupils at Ysgol Gymraeg St Baruc, Barry.

DEMAND for Welsh medium education from parents across the Vale has risen steadily and, in recent years, has outstripped the number of places available in Welsh medium schools.

The Vale Council has responded positively and has approved substantial capital investment under the 21st century schools programme, which is 50 per cent funded by the Welsh Government.

Two new schools have opened, in Barry and Llantwit Major, and a sizeable extension has been built at Ysgol Gymraeg Pen-y-Garth in Penarth.

Most recently, plans have been approved to double the size of Ysgol Gymraeg Gwaun y Nant in the Gibbonsdown area of Barry.

• *More information about these developments, together with the innovative ways in which IT is being used across the curriculum and the advantages of Welsh medium education, will follow in a special GEM feature on September 25.* **SEJ**

Morgannwg wedi ymateb yn gadarnhaol ac wedi buddsoddi cyfalaf sylweddol, gyda chymorth ariannol o 50 y cant oddi wrth Lywodraeth Cymru, o dan y rhaglen ysgolion yr unfed ganrif ar hugain.

Mae dwy ysgol newydd wedi agor, yn Y Barri a Llanilltud Fawr, ac estyniad sylweddol wedi ei adeiladu i Ysgol Gymraeg Pen-y-Garth yn Mhenarth. Yn ddiweddar mae cynlluniau wedi eu cymeradwyo i ddyblygu maint Ysgol Gymraeg Gwaun y Nant yn ardal Gibbonsdown o'r Barri.

Ceri mwy am y datblygiadau hyn, ynghyd â gwybodaeth am y ffyrdd arloesol y defnyddir technoleg gwybodaeth ar draws y cwricwlwm a manteision addysg cyfrwng Gymraeg, mewn erthyglau arbennig yn y GEM ar 25 Medi. **SEJ**

MERCHANT NAVY SERVICE

THE Merchant Navy Association (Wales) Barry branch will hold its annual service on Saturday, September 20 in the Memorial Hall, Barry at 11am.

Rev M Davies, honorary chaplain to the Barry branch, will officiate and Barry Male Voice Choir will also take part.

The service is open to all organisations and others, especially family members of serving and former members of the Merchant Navy, Royal Navy and the Royal Fleet Auxiliary.

A collection will be taken towards the cost of the service and in aid of seafarers' charities. In holding a Seafarers' service, we acknowledge the vital role played by the Royal Navy and the Royal Air Force in convoy

duties, also all those who follow the calling of the sea, deep sea fishermen, the lifeboat service etc.

The presence of branch standards will be greatly appreciated, the order of procedure being: Merchant Navy Associations, Royal Navy, Royal Air Force, Royal British Legion and all other standards.

A branch wreath will be laid prior to the service at the Merchant Navy Monument at 10.20am with a blessing. All other organisations are welcome to lay wreaths at this event.

After the main service at the Memorial Hall the Barry Male Voice Choir will provide entertainment.

We hope that you will continue to support and assist us in helping to ensure that this is once again, a successful event.

JT Greenway, Barry

Y Gymraeg yn ffynnu mewn addysg yn yr 21fed ganrif MAE'R gofyn am addysg cyfrwng Cymraeg gan rieni ar draws Bro Morgannwg wedi codi yn gyson ac yn ystod y blynyddoedd diwethaf mae wedi mynd y tu hwnt i'r nifer o lefydd sydd ar gael. **Mae Cyngor Bro**

Old school photo still brings back memories

THE photograph of Cowbridge Girls School in 1971, which was published in The GEM some weeks ago, is still bringing back memories.

The latest to get in touch is Sian Vaughan of Cowbridge, who had this to say:

"In the photo are the following girls. Depending on when in 1971 the photo was taken, we were either in form 2N or 3N. We are in the top photo from row 3 to behind the teachers, from about half way along the top photo.

"Susan Pearce, Sian Baty, Jane Hopkins, Susan Atkinson, Caroline Jones, Carolyn Sargeant, Sally Reynolds, Celia Hopkin, Lesley Havard, Eira Morris, Serena Johnson, Ceri James, Julie Broadbent, Linda Mills.

"Also in the top photo, top row, is Alison Jones (now Killick) about 18 from right. Susan James, sister of

Ceri (now Harris) is also in the photo. Some of us are still living in Cowbridge. The following occupations

have been followed: Doctors, nurses, teachers, local government, architect, among others."

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Vote for your favourite park

OVER 100 parks and green spaces in Wales received a Green Flag award this year and Keep Wales Tidy is now urging people to vote for their overall favourite.

Voting for the annual 'People's Choice' award has been opened, giving the public the power to decide which one of the 1,482 Green Flag Award sites in the UK should be named park of the year in an online vote.

The Vale had five parks awarded Green Flags, all of which can be voted for in the overall award. To vote, visit www.greenflagaward.org, select your region on the interactive map, find your favourite park or green space, and click the 'vote for this site' button.

The vote will close at 12pm on September 30 and the winner of the 2014 People's Choice will be announced on October 16.



Children's hospital appeal boosted by a classic car show

THE second successful Vale of Glamorgan Classic Car Show organised by the Dinas Powys Rotary Club in May, meant a large donation could be made to the main charity it supported, 'The Noahs Ark Appeal' for the Children's Hospital for Wales at the University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff.

The club was visited by their fundraising manager, Paula Langston, who gave a presentation outlining the work that is being done and what is planned for the next phase.

The photograph (above) shows Paula being presented with the cheque by last year's president of the Rotary Club of Dinas Powys, Tony Stevens, the current club president, Colin Jones, together with Spiro Tanti, show president and David Wiltshire, show chairman.

Tony Stevens said: "We are very pleased to support this wonderful charity that is doing such great work for our children. We are grateful to all

those who supported the show by entering their classic cars and motorcycles and, of course, all those who attended."

Funds raised through various sources at the show amounted to more than £3,000. The balance of the money raised at the show will be distributed by the club, as last year, responding to international disasters and local and national charities.

The 2015 show is on Bank Holiday Monday, May 25; see details at <http://www.valeofglamorganclassiccarshow.net>.

MACMILLAN CHARITY COFFEE MORNING

THE 'Penarth Live at Home Scheme' will be holding a Macmillan coffee morning at Trinity Church, Stanwell Road, Penarth, on Friday, September 26 from 10am-11.30am.

"Everyone knows someone who has been affected by cancer, so please come along and support this fantastic charity," a spokesperson urges.

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The school's outstanding reputation for music is well known: 40 pupils lead choral worship in Llandaff Cathedral, but beyond this there are many ensembles, choirs and groups performing regularly.

Sport is also strong: a culture of sporting excellence exists, with rugby, football, cricket, hockey,

netball and rowing taking pride of place.

Financial support is available for bright pupils at year-7 and year-12 entry, with scholarships for especially gifted children – academic, music, sport – and means tested bursaries worth up to 100 per cent of fees.

With 750 pupils, the school is small enough to ensure that everyone is known and cared for, yet large enough to offer a real breadth of challenge and opportunity. Estyn describe the school as excellent in its current performance, with excellent prospects for the future.

School transport is available with bus routes from Castleton, Cowbridge, Caerphilly, Llantrisant and Lisvane. Working parents are helped by wrap-around care available daily from 8am – 6pm.

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'Wooden horse' race night for two children's hospices



Gwent county executive officer Glyn Davies auctioning off wooden horses.



Fuw ladies enjoyed the wooden horse race.

Farmers Union of Wales' Glamorgan and Gwent branches enjoyed a hugely successful wooden horse race night in aid of union president Emyr Jones' charity fund for children's hospices Tŷ Hafan and Tŷ Gobaith and the Wales Air Ambulance.

Over 200 people attended event at FUW member Lorraine Howells' Cwm Carno Farm, near Rhymney. It featured six wooden horses auctioned off before the start of each race, with the winners

proceeding to a grand final.

"It was the second time the union has held this event at Lorraine's farm and we are delighted that we have managed to raise £3,500 for these great charities and money is still coming in," said FUW Glamorgan county executive officer Rachel Saunders.

"All the races were sponsored by local businesses and guests enjoyed a lovely cold meat supper, including roast ham, beef, pork and a wide selection of salads.

"Many of the volunteers also donated an excellent variety of cakes and desserts, which went down extremely well

with the guests," said Mrs Saunders.

"I would like to thank all the sponsors, volunteers and, of course, the guests, who made this event such a success and who have travelled from all over Wales to support us," said Miss Howells.

"I would also like to extend a special thank you to FUW Gwent county executive officer Glyn Davies, who provided a huge amount of help and support in setting up the race track as well as the bar for the evening

"He also kindly used his sheep sales skills to auction the race horses and provided commentary for the races!" Miss Howells added.

Regional AM's praise for Welsh medium school

A Welsh medium, comprehensive has been praised after topping the schools 'league table' for south Wales.

Ysgol Bro Morgannwg featured prominently in the recently-published Real Schools Guide, coming fourth in Wales, and first in south Wales.

Praise came from Conservative regional AM Andrew RT Davies, who noted the school's "meteoric rise" from 96th last year to fourth

this year. He said:

"Everyone at the school must be rightly proud to have achieved such an improved ranking.

"This is the result of the hard work and dedication of pupils and teachers alike over the last year.

"An impressive 96 per cent of pupils achieved five A* to C results in their GCSEs.

"I wish the next cohort all the best in continuing to fulfil their potential," the AM added.



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Out and About with The GEM

WHAT'S ON

Lib Dem

surgery
ELUNED PARROTT, Lib Dem AM for south Wales central, will be holding an advice surgery on September 12 at Morrisons' supermarket, Penny Way, Barry, CF63 4BA between 1pm and 2pm.

Residents who have any issues of concern to them or their local community are encouraged to pop along; no appointment is necessary.

Bargains galore!

BARGAIN sale, Newton Institute, Porthcawl, Saturday September 13 (10am - 4pm). Free admission.

Everything 50p or less. Clothes, toys, games, books, jigsaws, pictures.

Big Fill

THE Vale's Big Fill team will be visiting Court Ward in Barry on September 13/14.

Potholes can be reported to the Vale Council by telephone on 01446 700111, or via email at clv@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk.

Nearly New

ON Saturday (September 13) there will be a charity nearly new sale in Cowbridge Leisure Centre, CF71 7DA (11am - 12.30pm).

Sellers should call Julie (01656 662564) to pre-register, or email nctnearlynewsales@live.co.uk.

Donations of cakes and raffle prizes gratefully received. Proceeds in aid of the National Childbirth Trust Vale and Valleys branch, which is raising funds to train two breastfeeding counsellors and antenatal teacher.

Donations welcome: www.nct.org.uk/in-your-area/southwales.

Diabetes

meeting

THE Vale of Glamorgan Diabetes UK Voluntary Group will meet on Tuesday, September 16 in the Board Room, Llandough Hospital, Penarth, at 7.30pm - 9pm, when Dr Lindsay George and two diabetes specialist nurses will present a Q&A session. All welcome.

NFU Ladies
ON Tuesday,

September 16, NFU Ladies Club resumes after a summer break at the Village Hall, Penryn at 7.30pm; new members are always welcome.

Charity coffee

ON Friday, September 19, Tesco Barry, Highlight Park is holding a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan, at 11am. "Please come along and have a coffee and cake with us to support this wonderful charity," a spokeswoman urged.

Baruc Art

Group's 40th birthday!

ON September 19, Baruc Art Group is celebrating its 40th anniversary.

The group was founded on September 20, 1974.

Club secretary Irene Lewis said: "We are having a lunch at St Andrew Golf Club, Argyle Lane, Barry for 47 members and their partners."

For more information about the lunch contact 01446 413626.

Cowbridge

Holistic fair

ENJOY an afternoon of pampering and learning about holistic

health on Saturday, September 20.

Free entry, try taster sessions from a range of experienced complementary therapists, try a card reading?

It runs from 12 noon - 5pm, at The Little Shop of Calm, Cowbridge; also Fairtrade gifts and autumn clothing.

David

Emanuel's

Macmillan

morning

ON Friday, September 6 Macmillan Cancer Support Ambassador David Emanuel is

hosting his Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee

Morning at Gileston Manor, Gileston, CF62

4HX.

Come and explore the beautiful gardens, have coffee and cake in the wonderful surroundings, win prizes in the raffle and tombola, while raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Gates open at 10am. Admission at gate is £5, car parking available.

Scout

the sale

Jumble the Cowbridge Scout Group is running its

very popular annual jumble sale again on Saturday, September 20 at the Scout Hall, from 10.30am to 12.30pm.

The Scout Group will be dropping leaflets through many Cowbridge doors looking for jumble to collect.

If you have jumble you want collected, contact cowbridgescoutgroup@outlook.com.

Coastal Watch

coffee break

CADDOXTON (Barry) WI is holding a charity coffee morning on

Tuesday, September 23 at the Civic Offices.

Doors open 10.30am. Proceeds to Coastal Watch (Barry) and Cadoxton Primary School.

Admission is £1.50 includes tea/coffee.

Various stalls and raffles.

Cancer

fundraiser

PONTYCLUN and District Macmillan

fundraising group will hold a coffee, cake and

pampering event at Pontyclun Rugby Club on Friday, September 26 at 10am-2pm; tickets £1.

Treats and eats on offer; Indian head massage, reflexology, mini manicure and pedicure. All welcome

Autumn

concert

PORTHCAWL Community Orchestra's autumn

concert is on Saturday, October 11 (at 7pm) in

Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, New Road, Porthcawl.

Tickets £5, available on the door, or by visiting the website, www.porthcawlorchestra.co.uk.

Charity

walk

THE Barry committee of Cancer Research UK (Cymru) is holding a sponsored walk to

raise funds on Sunday, October 12 at 11am from the Cardiff

barrage, Penarth.

For sponsorship forms and more information, contact Dawn on 01446 743506.

RAFA concert in Barry

Barry branch of the Royal Air Force Association will present a concert on September 26 at St Mary's Church, Holton Road, Barry, featuring Jodi Bird (right).



All proceeds go towards the RAFA Wings Appeal (full details at rafa.org.uk).

The Vale and Barry town Mayors, plus Mod St Athan personnel will be present.

Ty Hafan lottery draw winners

THE following are winning numbers in the Ty Hafan Crackerjackpot lottery draw

number D843.

● £2,000: 201733.

● The rollover, which now stands at

£500 was won by 142073.

● £10: 751161, 152439, 111737, 594988, 619143, 762943, 639048, 663284, 808470, 291395, 533882, 616128, 331810, 964211, 681367, 112223, 267353, 316120, 747830, 201.

● £5: 963685, 715979, 961982, 450981, 925562, 398832, 506522, 153228, 668794, 611168, 2053 2300.

735778, 414095, 950541, 154792, 811000, 175829, 202178, 352524, 955064, 788420, 732703, 715133, 177386, 847576, 342681, 589487, 357310, 649172, 685608, 529395, 210526, 576856, 472363, 362228, 558422, 344575, 797925, 218636, 378617, 514593, 563205, 744845, 740546, 109022, 308082, 502728, 243166, 252859, 214313, 472727, 243045, 439812, 381136, 859660, 805984, 985193, 683718, 441972, 603, 1207.

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07/12/14	Sun	Bath/Bath Market	£13.75	£12.75
11/12/14	Wed	Conwy/West Market & Ferry	£8.75	£8.25
21/12/14	Sat	Conwy/West Market & Ferry	£11.86	£11.06
28/12/14	Wed	Penryn/Darwin Ferry	£11.86	£11.06
04/01/15	Sat	Penryn/Darwin Ferry	£11.86	£11.06
11/01/15	Tue	Marine in March Market Day	£11.86	£11.06
21/01/15	Sat	Conwy/West Market & Ferry	£12.50	£11.50
28/01/15	Sat	Penryn/Darwin Ferry	£14.30	£14.00
03/02/15	Fri	Marine, Penryn & Penryn Lido	£11.86	£11.06
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styles from all over the world.

The show will also feature local band, The

Jensen Effect, whose new single, Proud,

featuring the voices of several local choirs

recorded in Barry, is available on iTunes and

through Amazon. They are all working together

to raise money for Ty Hapus Dementia Care

Centre in Barry.

There will be two raffles on the night; as well as generous

donations from local businesses. The Jensen

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Amnesia thriller is worth remembering

WHILE Colin Firth may have been unable to keep up with the purple patch that saw him land successive Oscar nominations (and a win) for *A Single Man* and *The King's Speech*, he has still shone in projects ranging from the good (*Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy*) to the not so good (*Devil's Knot*).

In his latest film, *Before I Go To Sleep*, Firth plays Ben, a man married to Christine (Nicole Kidman), a woman who, after a severe head injury, forgets all she knows when she sleeps, waking each day with no memory of what has gone before.

When Christine discovers she has been working with Dr Nash (Mark Strong) in an attempt to remember just what happened to her, new truths emerge that make her question everything around her...

Before I Go To Sleep is yet another film born from the pages of a fictional novel, part of the seeming constant flow of literary adaptations that are lending themselves to

the big screen.

Given the cast assembled, you would hope that it would be a cut above the usual fare and you would be right, the film a twisting and turning piece of work that not only keeps you guessing, but never lets you feel wholly comfortable in its presence.

With the story being told directly from Christine's viewpoint, we, the audience, are as in the dark and unknowing as she is; the whys and hows, the fear of trusting in someone who may not actually be who they say they are, all are amplified by the way we are left hanging, doubting the motives of characters, and their telling of events, that have shaped Christine into the woman she has become.

This slippery tale could have been executed poorly, but writer/director Rowan Joffe wrings maximum tension from it; his screenplay drip feeds the audience slowly and surely, as new information eclipses and undoes what has gone before, while his direction is stylish yet grounded.

When the film grinds up a gear two-thirds of the way through, Joffe seems to be in his element, handling the



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change-up with confidence and an assured hand, something that permeates through his cast.

Nicole Kidman's recent output has been far more 'miss' than 'hit', but here the actress is on superb form, scrabbling for clues about just what it is that has happened to her and why she is suffering.

Despite being a victim, Kidman gives a steely, yet all too human, spark to Christine, her doggedness and determination as she discovers more and more about herself realised by the actress.

Mark Strong is as ever dependable as Dr Nash, stoic yet (and this could be down to his large number of villainous roles) always with a hint of danger

below the surface, while Colin Firth, as the husband trying his best for a wife who barely remembers him, shades Ben in haunted tones, but again it's a performance that is knowing but also keeps you guessing.

While the aforementioned gear shift, from psychological drama to thriller, is well-handled by Joffe, it's a shift that feels a little awkward and, rather than ramping up the tension, reduces it to a somewhat schlocky and expected climax.

However, it is a well delivered effort that makes the most of the cast's star wattage and an intriguing story, making *Before I Go To Sleep* a very satisfying offering.

VERDICT: Marshalled with style and substance by writer/director Rowan Joffe, *Before I Go To Sleep* takes what could have been a B-Movie premise and crafts something intriguing and very watchable. A twisty story, coupled with sturdy performances from Kidman, Strong and Firth, make it a film well worth catching. **Recommended.**

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *Memento* (2000), *Mulholland Drive* (2001).

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Homes & Gardens

A nip in the air means it's time to think of planting those spring bulbs!

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There's a nip in the air which, to me, signals the end of summer and provides a wake-up call to start planting some spring bulbs to brighten up borders and patios next year.

Yet the wealth of varieties on offer, from crocus and dwarf narcissi to fragrant hyacinths and majestic tulips, can leave many gardeners wondering what to choose.

Suppliers are constantly trying to help

customers select the best combinations. Suttons (www.suttons.co.uk), for instance, has a range called 'Plant-O-Mat', pre-planted bulbs inserted in individual compartments in a biodegradable tray.

You just dig a hole, put the tray in and cover it with compost. The range features a number of combinations, colours and sizes. They also cater for window boxes and containers.

If you want something which is going to stand the test of time, *Gardening Which?*, the Consumers' Association magazine, has recently tested a number of new bulbs to see how they fared.

Researchers found that some new varieties will flower more consistently and for much longer than many older varieties.

Last autumn, trialists chose 50 newly-bred varieties of spring-flowering bulbs and grew them alongside five well-known varieties – daffodils 'Delnashaugh' and 'Dutch Master', and tulips 'Ballerina', 'Mount Tacoma' and 'Red Riding Hood' – for comparison.

Bulbs were planted in October: hyacinths 15cm deep, narcissus twice

their own depth and tulips at three times their own depth. In spring, the bulbs' development was monitored, when they flowered, how long they lasted and their sizes, colours and scents.

In the latest batch of testing, researchers noticed a lot of colour-changing varieties (such as tulip 'Caribbean Parrot') with flowers that open in one colour then change to another as they age, adding a new element of interest.

New daffodils which came out on top included 'Ferris Wheel' ([youtulip](http://youtulip.co.uk), www.youtulip.co.uk), a large bright yellow variety which grows to 40cm and produces immense trumpets with a frilly rim, flowering in April for around three weeks.

A more subtle variety, whose flowering period lasted up to 32 days, was 'Beautiful Eyes' (J Parker's, www.jparkers.co.uk) which has small, straight stems holding clusters of two or three creamy flowers with yellow centres and gives off a heady fragrance.

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Homes & Gardens

Who wants to build what and where in the Vale?

Mr Philip Walters – **East end of the Mole, Barry Docks** – Change of use from operational dockland to Barry community water activity centre, The Mole, Barry Docks.
Mr and Mrs Griffiths – **Land south of Llwyn On Cottage, Treherhygill** – Retention of restoration and extension of barn to provide stables.
Mr Clyde Ahmed – **Rear of Unit 7, Redrup Limited, Cardiff Road, Barry** – Proposed installation of a liquid bypass separator.
Meridian (Penarth Haven) MAN Co Ltd – **The Meridian, Penarth Portway, Penarth** – Replace iron balustrades with glass.
Mr Bruno Cook – **7a Cosy Cottage, Elm Grove Road, Dinas Powys** – Replacement of double glazed windows with mock sash horns and the installation of a UPVC front door as an addition to the existing wooden front door.
Mr and Mrs Anthony Fattah – **Erwr Delyn Stud Farm, Sully Road, Penarth** – Construction of new rural enterprise dwelling.
Mr Eugene McCarthy – **Tynywaun Farm,**

Newton, Cowbridge – Alterations to hay barn.
Mrs Michelle Proctor – **20 High Street, Penarth** – Proposed alteration to existing dormer window and additional dormer window.
Mr Thomas Lyne – **2 Cambrian Avenue, Llantwit Major** – Single storey side extension.
Mr Andrew Morris – **22 Benecrofte, Rhosneig** – The addition of a side and rear extension with a new porch to the front elevation.
Mr John Williams – **Site of former Sea Lawns Hotel, Sion Lane, Omore by Sea** – Appearance (Reserved Matter) of seven apartments, associated with planning permission 2013/00881/OUT.
Mr and Mrs S Perry – **2 Mountjoy Close, Penarth** – Demolish existing front porch, rebuild porch and cloakroom.
Mr Craig Maund – **Southra Farm, Southra, Dinas Powys** – Proposed alterations and extension to farmhouse.
Mr and Mrs Philip Atkin – **Charlotte Eckhardt, Little Pen Onn, Llancarfan** – Proposed demolition of existing and construction of a

new build house.
Mr Geoffrey Inch – **23 Adenfield Way, Rhosneig** – Works to roof increasing ridge height and front dormer to provide first floor accommodation.
Mr Adrian Jones – **2 Britten Road, Penarth** – Two storey extension.
DS Properties – **Pump House, Hood Road, Barry** – Two composite aluminium panels.
Mr and Mrs Jerome Bowen – **Huckleberry, Sutton Lane, Omore by Sea** – Alteration and extension of existing dwelling.
Dr Ian Thomas – **Greenway Cottage, Greenway Lane, Bonvilston** – Proposed single storey garage to replace garage and hobby room (as approved 2013/00801/FUL) and also new amendments to main house extension as previously approved.
Mrs Elizabeth Kirke – **42 Merthyr Dyfan Road, Barry** – Demolish existing extension at rear and rebuild double extension.
Mr Brian Williams – **Plemont Cross Common Road, Dinas Powys** – Car port, single storey rear and loft conversion extension.
Mrs Margaret Morris –

36 Baron Road, Penarth – Lean-to garage.
Mr Philip Whitehouse – **Plot next to 55, Lakin Drive, Barry** – Construction of new dwelling.
Mr and Mrs Carlson Tong – **Seawalls, 62 Graig Yr Eos Road, Omore by Sea** – New dwelling.
Mr Richard Price – **Land adjacent to Llantwit Major bypass, Boverton** – Change of use of agricultural land to residential development (C3) including demolition of a disused building and the development of 64 residential dwellings, public open space, landscaping, highway improvements and associated engineering works.
Mr and Mrs C Housley – **12 Primrose Close, Cowbridge** – Demolition of existing rear elevation conservatory and erection of a single storey elevation extension.
Bay 5, The Old Lifeguard Station – **Old Lifeguard Station, The Promenade, Barry Island** – The change of use of Bay 5, Barry Island Promenade, from

sui-generis to a mixed A1/A3 coffee shop, with associated works including layout changes to the building, and works to align the external appearance of the building to a coffee shop function.
Mr Stuart Howison – **South Wales Fire and Rescue Service, Fire Station, Hazel Road, Penarth** – Extend and refurbish the single storey flat roof building to the west of the appliance bay to provide new modern facilities to meet SWFRS requirements; existing appliance bays and dormitories to be refurbished and upgraded; general upgrades to forecourt and service yard to meet SWFRS requirements; existing training tower to be cleaned and upgraded with new doors, roof and lighting; inclusion of temporary accommodation to the rear of the site for 8-9 months during construction and refurbishment works of the existing fire station.
Barratt Homes South Wales – **Former Emporium Garden Centre, Fferm Goch, Llangan, Cowbridge** – 13 Condition 2012/00862/OUT is to be

removed in line with Welsh Government legislation changes that have removed the requirement of Code for Sustainable Homes.
Mr Adam Daniel – **10, Heol Y Frenhines, Bryn Bottom Farm,**

Dinas Powys – Proposed demolition of existing garage to be replaced with single storey rear extension to the dwelling to full width of the site.
Mr RJM Harris – **Peny**

Llanmaes – Construction of new multi-purpose agricultural barn.

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Children help promote Dahlia contest at Dyffryn Gardens

IMAGINATION ran wild at Dyffryn Gardens, Bonvilston, when children took part in a creative Dahlia competition.

They responded to the challenge to imagine what a Dahlia might look like, with some surprising and unusual drawings of the flamboyant

flower. Dyffryn spokeswoman Harriet O'Brien commented: "We've had a lovely time going through all the entries to our Dahlia competition. All the children have come up with such imaginative, colourful and bright creations."

The competition is helping to promote an exciting and quirky event at Dyffryn Gardens to celebrate the centenary of the

Dahlia trials. Visitors are invited to bring along a bunch of Dahlias in return for a free entry pass to visit again and see their Dahlias, as a part of a spectacular floral display in the house.

Bring your seven dahlias to Dyffryn on Thursday, September 25 and receive free entry for the weekend (September 27-28) to see your Dahlias as part of a spectacular display in the house.

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The only way to do this is to ask for the Gas Safe ID card and check which appliances they are qualified to work on.

Gas Safety Week also hopes to encourage residents to get their appliances safety

checked at least once a year. You can sign up to a free reminder service at www.StayGasSafe.co.uk, and use the interactive gas map to see how many unsafe gas appliances are lurking in your area.

If left unchecked, poorly serviced gas appliances can cause gas leaks, fires, explosions and carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.

In the last year alone, 343 people were injured and 10 people died as a result of gas related incidents.

Scott 'Dusty' Millar, who owns Mister Boiler, said: "I regularly go out to homes and see unsafe appliances which either haven't been serviced in years, or have been

ingly for me, when I go to these homes, residents are often unaware of the danger that they and their family's are in.

"For this reason, I'm pledging our support for Gas Safety Week and doing our bit to raise awareness of gas safety issues among the public in the Vale so they know what steps they can take to keep themselves

safe."

Russell Kramer, chief executive for Gas Safe

Register, said: "It's our engineers who are on the frontline dealing with dangerous or dodgy gas work on a daily basis. Every year however, far too many people suffer from preventable gas related accidents.

"It's great, therefore, that The GEM has pledged its support to Gas Safety Week. We want to encourage the public to only use Gas Safe registered engineers to fit, fix and service their gas appliances and to raise awareness of the importance of having an annual safety check."

Follow these simple checks to keep you and your family gas safe:

- Get your gas appliances safety checked at least once a year and serviced in line with the manufacturer's instructions. This includes your gas boiler, gas cooker and gas fire.

Sign up at www.staygassafe.co.uk for a free reminder service.

- Always use a Gas Safe registered engineer when having gas work carried out in your home. You can find a registered engineer in your area by calling Gas Safe Register on 0800 408 5500 or visit www.GasSafeRegister.co

- Check the front and back of your engineer's Gas Safe Register ID card, making sure they are qualified to do the specific type of gas work you require.

- Install an audible carbon monoxide alarm which will alert you if dangerous levels are present in your home.

- Check you know the six signs of carbon monoxide poisoning – headaches, dizziness, breathlessness, nausea, collapse and loss of consciousness.

- Check for warning signs your appliances aren't working correctly, such as lazy yellow or orange flames instead of crisp blue ones, black marks on or around the appliance and too much condensation in the room.

If you smell gas, or think there might be a gas leak, call the free 24-hour national gas emergency number immediately on 0800 111 999.

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Lucky winner of farmers' hamper



Mr Stait receives his hamper prize at the Farmers' Market.

THE free hamper draw that was run in the Vale Farmers' Market Food Court at the Vale of Glamorgan Show in August was won by Mr Doug Stait of Barry.

The hamper, which contained a joint of beef, gammon, jams, cakes, fish, lamb, cheese, salad dressing and flapjacks had a value of over £60. The fantastic local produce was all donated by the market stall holders.

Anne Loam of Tregwilym Produce, the market vice chairman, presented Mr Stait with his hamper at the Cowbridge Farmers' Market last Saturday.

The next markets will be on Saturday, September 20 at Arthur Johns car park, Cowbridge, and Saturday, September 27 at Westbourne School, Penarth.

Taff Trail cycling test for the Teenage Trust

THREE colleagues from Fontygary Caravan Park in the Vale are taking on a Taff Trail cycling challenge on September 14 – to help young patients across south Wales.

Stephen 'Tilly' Sullivan, John 'Topoff' Roach and Stephen 'Stupid' Venebles will be cycling the 27.5 miles of the Taff Trail between Merthyr Tydfil and Cardiff Bay to raise money to support the Teenage Cancer Trust Unit in Cardiff.

The friends are undertaking the challenge to ensure teenagers and young adults in south Wales are able to access the specialist care given at the unit.

Stephen said: "Our cycling challenge started out as a bit of a gimmick because of a challenge made by other friends."

"A couple of rides and charity nights later, we've managed to raise more than £5,000 to support local good causes."

"When we were asked by Della Bassett whose son Ashley (18) is currently being treated on the Teenage Cancer Trust Unit in Cardiff, to do a charity ride we couldn't wait to help."

"What's great about the owners, staff and

holidaymakers at the Fontygary Caravan Park is that everyone is really supportive and gets behind our charity challenges."

"When they heard about our challenge for Teenage Cancer Trust, they all got on board."

"When you do these challenges for someone you know it makes everyone go the extra mile."

Della Bassett from Bridgend, whose son Ashley is currently receiving treatment at the unit in Cardiff, said: "We chose to support Teenage Cancer Trust because of the help and support Ashley has received since being diagnosed

with (ALL) Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia in 2012."

"Ashley, who is now 18, is still being treated and cared for by the specialist team on the unit and is looking forward to receiving his 'all-clear' next year."

"We're right behind Tilly and the team, and appreciate everyone's support and effort on Ashley's behalf."

A spokeswoman for the Trust appealed: "Help us to be there for the teenagers and young adults fighting and living with cancer in Wales."

"Why not take on our 5-4-5 challenge to help us celebrate the fifth anniversary of our unit in

Cardiff? We need to raise around £320,000 every year to keep these vital services in place."

"If you would like to support Tilly and Co with their ride please visit send your donation to Fontygary Caravan Park marked 'For the attention of Tilly's Charity Ride'."

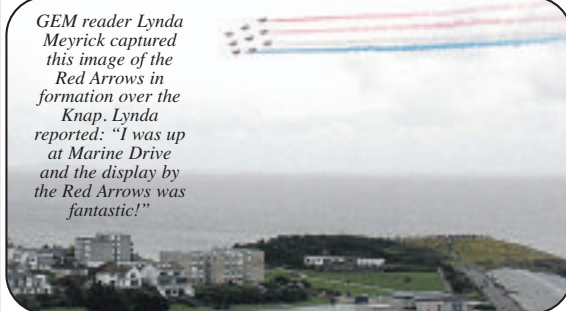
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For more information on the Teenage Cancer Trust, you can visit www.teenagecancertrust.org or the Teenage Cancer Trust Wales Facebook Page.

Reader snaps Red Arrows over Knap

GEM reader Lynda Meyrick captured this image of the Red Arrows in formation over the Knap. Lynda reported: "I was up at Marine Drive and the display by the Red Arrows was fantastic!"



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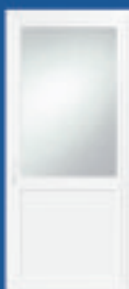
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Red Arrows dazzle over Barry Island



RAF display team, the Red Arrows, dazzled the huge crowds at Barry Island recently as part of the Barry Wartime Weekend event.

Organised by the Barry Tourist Railway, and local history group Barry at War, the event featured displays to show the last 100 years of the area's wartime history.

There were also vintage cars and modern motorbikes for the crowds to enjoy, along with a unique steam train.

Event co-organiser, Ade Pitman of Barry at War, explained: "The Barry Wartime Weekend event traditionally aims to extend the tourist season through Heritage Tourism, which after such a poor bank holiday proved a real boost to the local economy."

"Taking place at the Barry Island Railway Station, and the Hood Road Field at Barry Waterfront, the free community event seeks to educate visitors about their wartime heritage of the region."

"To commemorate the Centenary of the Great War, this year's event featured a large encampment, complete with cavalry unit."

"There was also a 'walking wounded' soldier, escorted by a voluntary aid detachment nurse, who explained that her patient was just one of over 700 wounded soldiers being cared for in one of the five Red Cross hospitals located in Barry during 1917."

"A Second World War American encampment, populated with the

famous Jeep, reminded visitors that 70 years ago the Hood Road site was part of a massive American base, which was located there to service the docks.

"Members of the Army Reserve, accompanied by an Army Field Kitchen, which provided 'compo' meals for the living historians and Cadets throughout the event, brought the military display up to the present day."

"To ensure there was something for all the family, the Glamorgan Classic Car Club displayed many vintage cars, while a Great War era steam train ran a shuttle between the two sites."

For more information see the website at www.barryatwar.co.uk or follow the group on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/BarryAtWarHistoryGroup>.

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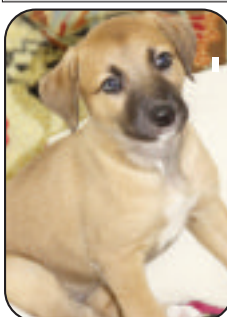
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LINDA FEAGAN
Supporter Relations officer,
Dogs Trust Bridgend.

The GEM has joined forces with the Dogs Trust to find suitable homes for inmates at the Bridgend rehoming centre.



QUIZ NIGHT

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Christmas Party Guide

Planning ahead can make a real difference to your Christmas do!

IT'S very difficult to get people to focus on something that is three months distant, but making the effort can make a real difference to that pitfall-strewn celebration that is the 'Christmas do'.

Whether you are planning an office party, a family get-together, or just a festive gathering with friends, making an early decision has a number of advantages.

First, and clearly the most obvious plus point, is that you have a much better chance of booking your first choice if you can come to a prompt agreement.

There's nothing worse than having weeks of increasingly tense meetings and talks which eventually manage to reach a consensus,

and then find that the venue is booked up.

This is often the case when it comes to the most established venues that have good word of mouth and a history of keeping the customer satisfied.

Miss out on the first choice and it can be a question of back to square one, and the prospect of more time-consuming discussions.

There is a lot to be said for a small group of trusted individuals taking charge, to ensure an early decision.

The phrase 'too many chefs spoil the broth' is true for more than just cooking!

A second good reason for making an early start to your deliberations is that it will give time for some research.

Even if you have a stream-lined decision-making structure,

with one or two trusted people taking care of arrangements – rather than the dreaded 'committee' – making an early start can definitely help.

A visit to a pub or restaurant, just to check out the ambience, can be useful if the organisers have the time, and it gives them a chance to consider other factors – such as how the revellers will get there on a party night, particularly if they want to avoid driving.

One thing that makes things easier for party planners is that here in the Vale, there is a wealth of choice, with venues for any type of Christmas do.

In terms of eating out, standards are high, precisely because of the keen

competition that is a result of that choice.

If a dinner dance is the choice, then there are several hotels that offer just that.

If a meal in pleasant surroundings is the aim, then you can find good food everywhere, in a variety of settings, ranging from a traditional pub to a trendy bistro or tapas bar.

A number of places do outside catering, so it is even possible to find your own venue, and then employ a specialist to provide a great culinary experience. In terms of post-meal entertainment, the Vale is exceptionally well provided.

There are country pubs where you can while away the rest of the evening, perhaps in front of a real fire in the bar.

If the party prefers

to move from place to place, then towns such as Cowbridge, Llantwit Major and Barry have more than enough venues to keep the revellers happy.

In fact, a bit of research should be able to establish which venues offer regular entertainment.

There is a thriving local music scene and band nights are common.

For those so inclined, finishing off the evening with live music is quite possible, if you plan ahead.

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Pen-y-Fan was only to be followed by Cribyn and then Fan-y-Big to complete the full ten peaks challenge.

AFTER only 35 minutes of driving from Bonvilston, I found myself, along with my fiancé, at the base of Pen-y-Fan – we'd decided to spend last Saturday afternoon climbing the highest mountain in south Wales.

When we arrived, we were rather surprised to find the mountain sprawling with people who were either out for a Saturday walk, as we were, or taking part in either the Pen-y-Fan challenge for Parkinson's UK or the Ten Peaks Brecon Beacons challenge, which is an 89 kilometre race over the ten highest peaks in south Wales.

As runner after runner overtook us, I felt their exhaustion but sense of pride for having almost completed their incredible challenge.

Many of the participants were military or athletic looking civilians, who had obviously trained for this challenge.

The walkers, however, who were completing either a 6.5 kilometre or 14.5 kilometre loop and also visited the top of Pen-y-Fan, which stands at 886 metres above sea level, really bowled me over.

The grit and determination that I saw on so many faces was fantastic. There were families with youngsters as young as five years old; there were a number of old age pensioners and there were individuals who were battling with their weight but had set themselves this tremendous challenge for a very good cause.

I was struck with admiration for all I passed.

If you've always thought that mountain life and steep hills is only

for the super fit, then I urge you to think again. Last weekend was the perfect example where that simply doesn't ring true.

You can take your time and rest three or four times, to just sit and take in the view and when you reach the top, there is nothing better than enjoying a picnic from the summit.

The views and dramatic cliffs are spectacular. Pen-y-Fan is beyond no-one who has the desire to give it a go. Chose a good sunny clear day and let others know where you are going.

Set yourselves a family challenge this weekend and make sure you join me next week for more sport and adventure. In the meantime check out www.burnseries.co.uk.

FOOTNOTE:

This column is provided for idea purposes only. Always check with your doctor if you have any concerns about your health prior to embarking on any form of physical activity and always let someone know where you are going.

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Weycock Cross residents' concerns as deadline nears



VALE MP Alun Cairns has met local residents at Weycock Cross to discuss opposing plans to build 200 new houses at Green Farm in Barry.

The Friends of Weycock Cross Group called on local residents to object to the proposals from Taylor Wimpey, after plans were re-submitted by the housebuilder in August, despite local opposition.

Campaigners claim the scheme will impact on local services and traffic flow around a development at Green Farm.

Mr Cairns said: "The local residents have fought very hard to oppose these plans for over two years. Residents are concerned about the looming deadline of September 12 to submit representation."

"The Vale Council must listen to concerns that such a large scale development could have on the local community."



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The Old Swan Inn holds beer festival

THE Old Swan Inn in Llantwit Major has announced its last summer beer and cider festival of the season, due to take place from September 12-14.

The historic pub will be playing host to a vast selection of beers and ciders, as well as treating customers to a selection of local musicians.

Proceedings will start at lunchtime on Friday, and culminate on Sunday night.

The list of beers and ciders available includes

12 different ales and ciders, many from Welsh brewers, as well as a large selection of American style craft ales from Crafty Devil and Grey Trees.

The Old Swan Inn's manager, David Moll, said: "As this is our last beer festival of the season, we are expecting a great atmosphere and turnout."

"We've got a big range of beers and ciders on tap from a wide range of different breweries, many of them local!"

"This will be a great way for people to enjoy some delicious food and

drink in the last of the summer sun, and round off what has been a brilliant summer!"

The pub, which dates back to the 12th century, is just a short walk from the station, which is well-served by trains every hour from Cardiff and Bridgend.

Messy kids 'go wild'!

'GO WILD', the new holiday activity programme at Porthkerry and Cosmeston Lakes Country Parks, has given young people (and their parents) the opportunity to take part in new and exciting wildlife and conservation activities.

Hundreds of children took part over the summer holidays in activities such as messy medieval crafts, rock pool rambles, den and fire building, wicked woodland crafts, nature's art and mammal trapping.

National Trust summer trips

THE Vale of Glamorgan Association of National Trust members and volunteers has had three successful summer trips to Tyntesfield, Lacock and last week on the Waverley from Penarth Pier.

The new season of talks starts on September 17 at 7.30pm in The Duke when Sara Szwed is coming to tell us about The Kymin, where she works for The Trust. We plan to arrange a visit there during this coming year, hopefully along with Tredegar House.

New members are always welcome, and we would like to extend a particular welcome to any volunteers from nearby Dyffryn House. Any enquiries to vofgant@gmail.com.

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Join the RNID panel!

CHARITY Action on Hearing Loss Cymru (formerly RNID) is inviting local people who are deaf, have hearing loss, or tinnitus, to join the charity's research panel and help influence its work.

Director of Action on Hearing Loss Cymru, Richard Williams, said: 'We'd be grateful if residents would get involved in our panel, which we hope offers a great opportunity to feed in their first-hand experience of hearing loss and highlight everyday issues that will help shape our future work, supporting people who are deaf or have hearing loss or tinnitus to live their lives to the full.'

For more information, contact www.aohl.org.uk/researchpanel or e-mail panel@hearingloss.org.uk

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Come listen to the band at Fonmon

AS regular readers of The GEM may be aware, the Vale of Glamorgan Brass Band are celebrating their 40th anniversary this year.

At the beginning of the year, it was decided that the band should undertake a tour of the Vale.

It has secured sponsorship from two local businesses, A Class Apart from Dinas Powys, who supplied polo shirts and fleeces, and CJ Contract Travel Services Ltd, who provide the band with a vehicle to transport instruments and percussion equipment to concerts.

So far this year, the band has been to Rhosfor for the very successful anniversary concert, Penarth for 'Brass in the

Park,' also at Penarth Pier and, a little further afield (well, just outside the Vale!) to Porthcawl, the Millennium Centre, Cardiff, and to the National Eisteddfod near Llanelli, where they came a creditable fourth in their section.

The band will be back in the Vale to present a concert at Fonmon Castle on Friday, September 19, at 7pm.

Also performing is former member Patsy Hunt, who is a very talented musician and she promises "to bring something different" to the evening!

Tickets, priced at just £5, will be available at the door, or they can be reserved on 07917-796841.

PHIL MAUNDER.

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Application No./ Rhif y cais: 2014/00940/FUL
Proposal/Cynnig: Demolition of existing bungalow and construction of 4 No semi detached single storey dwellings Church Cottage, Aberthin Lane, Aberthin

Location:/Lleoliad: Outside, 7, High Street, Cowbridge
Conservation Area:/ Ardal Gadwraeth: Cowbridge

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Location:/Lleoliad: 16, Windsor Road, Penarth
Conservation Area:/ Ardal Gadwraeth: Penarth

Application No./ Rhif y cais: 2014/01019/FUL
Proposal/Cynnig: Change of use to Class A3 restaurant, new shopfront and fume extraction ducting together with plant 16, Windsor Road, Penarth

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Listed Building Consent/Caniatâd Adeilad Rhedredig

Application No./ Rhif y cais: 2014/00891/LBC
Proposal/Cynnig: Conversion of existing workshop/former stables to independent dwelling. Minor changes to existing consent already being implemented Cwrt yr Ala House, Michaelston Le Pit

Location:/Lleoliad: The Parish Hall, Britway Road, Dinas Powys
Listed Building:/ Adeilad Rhedredig: Grade II

Affecting setting of a Listed Building/ Cais (au) sy'n effeithio ar leoliad Adeilad Rhedredig

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Application No./ Rhif y cais: 2014/00933/FUL
Proposal/Cynnig: Development of 13 affordable homes, access arrangements and associated works Land at Pentre Meyrick, Pentre Meyrick

Location:/Lleoliad: Oakfield Primary School, Gibbonsdown, Barry
Application No./ Rhif y cais: 2014/00952/RG3
Proposal/Cynnig: Erection of new two storey primary school building with associated playground, lighting, sprinkler tank and landscaping

Location:/Lleoliad: Land adjacent to Llantwit Major Bypass, Boverton
Application No./ Rhif y cais: 2014/00995/FUL
Proposal/Cynnig: Change of use of agricultural land to residential development (C3) including demolition of a disused building and the development of 64 residential dwellings, public open space, landscaping, highway improvements and associated engineering works

Location:/Lleoliad: South Wales Fire & Rescue Service, Fire Station, Hazel Road, Penarth
Application No./ Rhif y cais: 2014/01002/FUL
Proposal/Cynnig: Extend and refurbish the single storey flat roof building to the west of the Appliance Bay to provide new modern facilities to meet SWFRS requirements; existing appliance bays and dormitories to be refurbished and upgraded; general upgrades to forecourt and service yard to meet SWFRS requirements; existing Training Tower to be cleaned and upgraded with new doors, roof and lighting; inclusion of Temporary Accommodation to the rear of the site for 8 - 9 months during construction and refurbishment works of the existing Fire Station

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Application No./ Rhif y cais: 2014/00954/FUL
Proposal/Cynnig: Construction of 1.5 storey dwelling (outline planning permission 2012/00027/OUT) Land adjacent to Evenlode School, Robinswood Crescent, Penarth

Location:/Lleoliad: Little Pen Onn, Llancaiwan
Application No./ Rhif y cais: 2014/00978/FUL
Proposal/Cynnig: Proposed demolition of existing and construction of a new build house

Location:/Lleoliad: Land adjacent to Llantwit Major Bypass, Boverton
Application No./ Rhif y cais: 2014/00995/FUL
Proposal/Cynnig: Change of use of agricultural land to residential development (C3) including demolition of a disused building and the development of 64 residential dwellings, public open space, landscaping, highway improvements and associated engineering works

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Dated / Dyddiedig: 11th September, 2014

M. Goldsworthy
Operational Manager Development & Building Control,
Vale of Glamorgan Council, Dock Office, Barry. CF63 4RT

PACT meetings

PLYMOUTH PACT, Byrd Crescent Community Hall Centre, Penarth, on September 11 at 7pm.

LLANDOUGH PACT, The Royal British Legion, Llandough, on September 15 at 7pm.

CADOC PACT, Palmerton Community and Learning Centre on September 18 at 6pm.

SULLY PACT, The Cricket Pavilion on September 18 at 7pm.

DYFAN PACT, Highlight Park Community Centre on September 29 at 7.45pm.

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Cadets will learn scale of sacrifice in World War One

THE Air Cadets of 372 Squadron (Barry) were recently awarded **£4,450** by the **Big Lottery Fund**, which will help towards transport costs for 70 Air Cadets from south Wales to visit the battlefields and memorials of World War 1 in Belgium and France.

This trip is intended to give cadets a better understanding of the Ypres Salient and Somme battles and the human sacrifice made during this era.

The cadets' itinerary will include: Tynecot cemetery, the largest Commonwealth war cemetery in the world and the Flanders field museum. They will also spend a day on the Somme and will see at first hand the Thiépval memorial; the memorial to the 'missing of the Somme', which bears the names of more than 72,000 officers and men of the United Kingdom and South African forces who died in the Somme sector before March 20, 1918 and have no known grave.

Over 90 per cent of those commemorated died between July and November 1916.

As part of the visit, the cadets will be on parade and will lay wreaths at the Menin Gate (Ypres) during the 8pm last post ceremony. The final salute to the fallen is played by the buglers, in honour of the soldiers of the former British Empire and its allies, who died in the Ypres



372 Squadron, laying a wreath at the Menin Gate.

Salient during the First World War, a ceremony which dates back to 1928.

Cadet Rhys Williams said: "I am really looking forward to this trip; to see all the places and events which I have learned about in my history lessons."

The award of this grant will benefit the cadets as they will see at first hand the human sacrifices made by soldiers from Barry during the Great Wars. Furthermore, they will also appreciate seeing these historical events in person, rather than from a history book and they will further understand the significance of Remembrance Sunday parade in November.

The Air Cadets also undertake many exciting activities, challenges and opportunities which include flying, gliding, shooting, sports, adventure training, team building exercises, expeditions, visits and field craft training.

If you have a spirit for adventure, 372 Squadron has vacancies for boys and girls between 12 - 18 years old. The Squadron parade on Mondays and Wednesdays at 7pm - 9.30pm behind Adams Funeral Parlour or contact the Squadron on 01446 747734; email oc.372@aircadets.org or visit www.372squadron.org for more information.

Flt Lieut Jason Horton

News from Dinas Powys Probud Club

ON September 2, John Evans, a member of Barry Probud Club, gave a talk entitled 'A Trip Around India by Rail', an account of his visit there in 1994.

John started with a comment on the condition of the steam engines and track, which were in a poor state of repair due to lack of finance for maintenance. Running repairs were carried out trackside whenever the train stopped at a station, and each engine had a crew of five to keep it running.

John had several photos of apparently flimsy bridges carrying heavy trains, which caused some trepidation amongst English passengers. Landslides are a frequent occurrence obliterating the tracks.

His journey started at New Delhi where many of the buildings were designed by British architect Sir Edwin Lutens, but some of the earlier buildings go back to the 1600s; one of which is known as the Red Fort. The architecture is a mixture of Turkish, Mongol and European. An odd feature was a simple iron pillar with no history as to its purpose, but John discovered that it was erected in 400 AD, long before Europe was manufacturing metal objects.

Delhi also has the Gandhi memorial marking the occasion of his assassination in 1948, a simple marble slab on the site of his funeral pyre.

Next, John travelled to Jaipur to see the Palace of the Winds. Built in the 1700s, it has a highly carved stone façade with 14 decorative windows, from which ladies could look out without being seen by men.

A well-known tourist trap is the Amber Fort, where elephants are used to carry people up the steep paths to the top. John and his party were plagued by photographers wanting to take and sell photos who didn't seem to understand the word 'no'.

Every visitor to India

has to see the Taj Mahal at Agra, but the pollution was so bad that it was impossible to get a clear view of the most famous building in India.

To escape the heat of summer, the British residents persuaded the Indian government to build the railway up to Shimla in the hills. Built around 1898 to 1903, it follows a winding route up to a height of 6,800 feet, with 919 sharp curves, 102 tunnels and numerous bridges. It makes frequent stops when 'char' can be bought at the trackside, but what John remembered most was the fact that there were no lights in the toilets which necessitated careful pre-planning before use!

Shimla itself is modelled on an English village, with English style churches and a village centre. A welcome feature was that there were no beggars.

Baranasse, the holist city for Hindu followers was full of lepers who bathe in Mother Ganges, the sacred river, hoping to be cured.

Calcutta is full of Government buildings built at the time of the Raj era, but many were crumbling due to lack of maintenance.

The normal mode of transport is by decrepit trams or Morris Oxford cars, some lovingly maintained by proud taxi drivers.

During his trip, John was constantly amazed by the way engineers had managed to build railway tracks through incredibly difficult country, with massive gorges and steep cliffs and, when no other route was feasible or the original route had been buried in a landslide, the new line simply ran down the nearest road and through the centre of a village.

Since his visit, the steam engines are gradually being replaced by modern diesel engines, but the expansion of the railway network is still hampered by the difficult terrain and varying railway gauges.

The vote of thanks was given by Charles Rees.

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PENARTH AND DISTRICT RAMBLERS NEWS

An adventure in Tonyrefail becomes assault course!

WHEN Rachel along with friend Lorna Caerphilly Ramblers arranged a joint walk in the Tonyrefail area, they did not realise the problems they would encounter with obstructed paths and broken stiles, which have now all been reported to Rhondda Cynon Taff.

The group of 17 set out in good weather and spirits at the start of a walk which very soon turned into an adventure over an assault course.

Reaching the pretty duck pond and cottages at Castellau and heading through woodland at Tarren Deusant, a footpath diversion led to their first dodgy stone stile, and further on at Waun Castellau to avoid another stile obstruction, a detour through a field led to the stunning restored farmhouse of Tyla-Winder and along a wooded track. Following heavy rainfall, a small brook had turned into a

rampaging river and the men-folk chucked rocks into the water to form a bridge managinh to drench the leaders.

Climbing out of the valley, a rock-strewn wet bridleway through tall ferns took them into forestry at Mynydd Gelliwon where long distance views of the Brecon Beacons were lost in the mist. Turning south, a path below Mynydd y Glyn heralded stunning views to Aberthaw, Flat and Steep Holm and the Somerset coastline.

The leaders obtained prior permission from the landowner to cross private land to reach the old Treferig Valley Railway line which served the Glyn Colliery, green and tranquil now, but during the industrial era this area, being rich in minerals of iron ore and coal, would have been black with soot and smoke and very noisy.

Situated between Treferig and Castellau, the mill, which is now in ruins, obtained its power from the nearby Nant Muchudd, and the last miller was Thomas Bussell, who came to Cardiff in 1830 from

Somerset, before moving to Treferig.

This area was also home to the Society of Friends or Quakers who believed all men were equal and as such they were persecuted or arrested for their beliefs and nearby a small house and land for burial, owned by local Quaker John Bevan, was sold to the Society of Friends for the sum of £5 and used for secret worship.

From a pretty tree-lined track and an unusual footbridge, and passing a delightful, friendly dog that did not bark, but insisted on greeting everyone, an adventurous crossing over another swollen stream led them back across fields and several more obstructed gates. The end came into sight with a rewarding well-earned drink at the Castell Mynach pub on the way home.

On September 13, meet at 9am at the Barry Waterfront for a 9.5-mile moderate walk taking in Newton, Porthcawl and Sker House; contact Geraint on 029 2051 5278.

Joy Strangward

GOOD RESPONSE TO FAMILY FUN DAYS

THIS summer saw the Vale Council's Sports and Play Development Team work in partnership with Barry Town Council to run two Family Fun Days.

Held in Alexandra Gardens to celebrate National Play Day, the first fun day was a successful event attracting more than 250 children, young people and their families throughout the event, participating in a range of play and sports activities together.

The second Family Fun Day took place at Maslin Gardens and while the poor weather deterred some people from attending, over 100 people did attend throughout the event and had an enjoyable experience trying out a range of activities including junk modelling, arts and crafts and sports activities.

Barry Town Council provided funding for both of the events and Coun Jeff Evans, Mayor of Barry Town Council, attended to show his support, saying: "It has given me great pleasure in the past few weeks to be invited to open the Children's Fun Days at both Maslin Park and Alexandra Gardens.

"The new play equipment looks great, and the enthusiasm of the Council Play Leaders

was endemic in scores of children having a wonderful, joyful time."

Joanne Jones, play development officer for the Vale Council and organiser of the events, said: "Children have enjoyed a range of activities during these events and it is all down to a successful partnership between Barry Town Council and the Vale of Glamorgan

Sports and Play Development Team. We would like to thank Barry Town Council for their support and hope we can continue working in partnership in the future."

To find out further information regarding play opportunities in the Vale of Glamorgan please contact Joanne Jones, play development officer on 01446 704809.

WI FASHION SHOW ATTRACTS VISITORS

A N autumn fashion show was on the agenda for Rhosue WI and a number of visitors attended the September meeting.

It showcased outfits from the ladies' fashion store 'Samantha B.' of Ewenny and a lively commentary by Sam B. herself accompanied the show as models Gloria Sparks, Jill Oliver, Sheila Griffiths, Suzanne Hodges, Beryl Lang and Sandra Barnes trod the catwalk.

The outfits ranged from smart casual, through day wear, to wedding and evening wear and they were worn with elegance by the models.

The show ended with a competition sponsored by Sam B. when the audience was asked to price an outfit worn by a member of staff. This

was won by Judith Young who received a voucher to spend at the store.

Giving a vote of thanks, Sue Hamer stressed the 'feel good factor' of the show.

Other business included a reminder that applications for the Denman bursary, provided by the Glamorgan Federation, would soon be closed; members were told that a trip to Bath Christmas market would take place on December 11. The president announced that a record number of members had attended the craft club and that future meetings would be held at the Community Hall.

A number of members had expressed interest in attending the Christmas Tree Festival at Margam on December 3 and it might be feasible to hire a mini-bus. The raffle was won by Geraldine Parry Richardson and

the monthly competition by Jill Jones. The next meeting will take place at The Community Hall, Stewart Road, Rhosue at 7.30pm on October 2 when Dean Powell will talk about Glyn Houston, the actor. Visitors welcome.

JJ

In the steps of two saints...

A GROUP of 17 members of Sully U3A local history group recently visited St Illtud's Church, Llantwit Major, for a talk covering the history of the church from its foundation in 500AD as a centre of learning to the present day.

It is believed to be Britain's earliest centre of learning where St Illtud founded a monastic school of over 1,000 pupils. According to tradition, pupils included St David of Wales and St Patrick of Ireland.

They then had a tour of the church, including the Galilee Chapel, originally a two storey building built in the 13th Century that fell into ruin after years of neglect.

Over the last two years, the Galilee project has raised enough money to reconstruct the building, which is used as a visitor centre for exploring the origin of Celtic Christianity, and houses one of the most important collections of Celtic Christian stones in Britain.

A fine, sunny afternoon enabled further exploration of historic sites in Llantwit Major, including the dovecot and castle.

The local history group is one of many interest groups offered by Sully U3A which has a general meeting, with a speaker on the second Thursday of the month, at 2pm, The Old School, Sully. New members welcome.

Susan Colman

What a GEM of an idea!



LLYSWORNEY Garage will be closing on September 19 until October 20, while proprietor Chris Ball is away on holiday.

The villagers of Llyswoorney currently collect their weekly copies of *The GEM* from the garage during office hours.

As this will not be possible during the

period that the garage is closed, Chris has come up with the perfect solution... sHe has assembled and fitted a GEM box!

This has been mounted on the wall in the covered porch of the garage. So now, while Chris is away, the local community will be able to access their copies of *The GEM* from the Llyswoorney Garage GEM box!

Mixed start to the season for Barry's rugby teams

BARRY 2nd XV opened their league season, with St Peters their visitors.

Coach Rhidian Scott handed a debut to Welsh sprinter Rhys Knapman on the wing, and there were also recalls for Maltese international John Dimond at scrum-half, and Jason Evans and Sebastian Vidal on the replacements bench.

Under clear blue summer skies, Barry began the game expecting to be dictating the tempo, but instead found themselves behind on virtually the first play of the game. A clearing kick was charged down by the chasing St Peters backline, and the result was an unconverted try.

The side clearly showed signs of rustiness that was to be expected in their first game of the season, and it was an unfamiliar back-line with players being drafted in from the 3rd XV at the last minute.

Tomos Perry and David Williams did strike a good partnership in midfield, but too often moves broke down in promising areas and the chances butchered.

At half-time Scott made ruthless changes and the second half saw a much better display by

the 2nd XV. Their pressure finally told as St Peters' defence relented, and tries were scored by Perry (2), Knapman and the substitute Evans. Corrigan was able to convert two out of four, and the side earned a precious bonus point win at the first time of asking, the final score 24-8.

The 2nd XV will hope to build on this success in their next game. They have a weekend off as they receive a bye in the preliminary round of the East District Cup (after their heroics in reaching the final last season), and will return to league action at home to Cardiff Quins on September 20.

Team: Hamonda; Knapman, Perry, Williams, M Jones; Corrigan, Dimond; Thomas, Sion Vidal, Lundy; McTavish, Flynn; L Jones @, Case, G i d d i n g s .

Replacements: Corne, Evans, Seb Vidal, Man-of-the-match: Perry.

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Managless Barry 3rd XV went into their first league game, a local derby against Sully Sports, in more hope than expectation.

The side's preparations appeared

doomed from the beginning, as many of their key players were promoted to the other two senior teams after a string of withdrawals.

After two more players failed to appear at kick off, caretaker manager Ken Chow was forced to juggle his resources, handing debuts to Michael van Birgelen, Nathan Harris and James Clements, while also recalling Jon Morris for his first game for the club in five years, and moving himself to the unfamiliar position of full back.

As expected the visitors dominated proceedings with a heavier and more experienced pack. Barry defended doggedly though, and despite Sully being camped on their line for long periods of the game, they managed to keep the Sully attack out for the first quarter.

The pressure, however, finally told when the visitors' scrum turned the screw to set up a close range converted try and took a deserved lead.

Chow and captain Lloyd Jones rallied the troops and after soaking up more Sully pressure, Barry came forward with some intent, with Dave Evans, Liam Ring, Jon Morris and Kyle Barclay in the forefront carrying the ball, forcing them to concede a series of penalties.

Ashley Forrester's boot was as accurate as ever, and he slotted over three penalties in succession just before

half-time to send the home side into the lead at the interval.

With fresh substitutes to bring on and a large away following, Sully Sports regathered the momentum after the break to score another converted try after prolonged pressure.

Barry struck soon after with a close range penalty from centre Dave Evans to bring the score to 12-14.

With the game still in the balance, Barry suddenly found themselves down to 14 men, as both Josh Westall and Lloyd Jones limped off with injuries – James Sullivan was the only replacement available.

Sully Sports utilised their numerical advantage as they increased their lead with another try. Chow, now having taken over the captain's armband as well as scrum-half duties, tried to stem the

tide by bringing Harris into the pack but his attempts proved futile.

The visitors finished the game by exploiting the exhaustion and lack of experience of the 14 men to earn a bonus point.

Despite the defeat, the Barry players could leave the pitch with their heads held high as they fought right to the end, even when the result was academic.

Barry 3rd XV will hope to have most of their key players back in order to field a full squad for their next league encounter at home to Taffs Well on September 27.

Team: Chow; Rees, Evans, van Birgelen, Harris; Bailey, Forrester; Hall, Ring, Clements; Westall, Thomas; Morris, Jones @, Barclay.
Replacements: Sullivan.
Man-of-the-match: Morris.

KC

Defeat sees the Centurions fall into the relegation mire

SULLY CENTURIONS' 1st XI travelled to Creigiau in a crunch relegation fixture.

The home side battled first and the opening pair of Taylor and Moore put on 130 for the first wicket. Moore, who went on to make 100, was the mainstay of the Creigiau innings, although most of the top order chipped in with runs, helping to push the score along to an impressive 256 for 6 at the end of the 50 overs.

Pick of the Centurions bowlers was Shae Ellis, who posted figures of 3 for 36.

In reply, of the top order batsmen, only Jake Griffith (36) got to grips with the attack as three wickets went down very quickly.

Young Adam Sylvester hit a nice 29,

with skipper Lloyd Bruce (26) and Nick Jones (20) being Centurions' other significant scorers. But Martin, with 4 for 36, and Innes (2 for 21) did most of the damage, as Centurions' innings ended on 189 all out.

The 2nd XI hosted Creigiau in the penultimate league match of the season, with both sides looking for points to steer them to safety.

The visitors batted first and had reached 15 when Hughes was bowled by Lewis Doel for 5. The same bowler accounted for Rhys Powell for 3, thanks to a smart catch by 'keeper Lewis Pyke, with just 24 on the board.

The prize wicket of skipper Thomas (who had plundered 80 in the previous match between the two sides) also went to Doel, but the plaudits

went to Mark Burnett for a wonderful catch.

This left Creigiau on 52 for 3. Wickets began to fall regularly, with two for just 10 runs for Emma Davies. The first of these was down to a fantastic diving slip catch by Tom Pascoe to dismiss John for 1; Ricky Griffith chipped in with 2 for 25.

This, plus the comical run out of Gareth Powell with the score on 105 for 9, left the visitors looking at a very low score. But Angell (15 not out) and Galea (30 not out) put on 42 for the final wicket, much to Sully's frustration.

The Centurion innings got off to a slow start and it had taken 17 overs to reach 40. Then two wickets in as many overs slanted the game in Creigiau's favour. Skipper Dave Sylvester (4) and opening partner Tom Pascoe (14) were both back in the hutch with the score on 48.

This brought Griffith to the crease and he played a faultless innings, timing the ball to perfection and eventually steered Sully to victory with a marvelous 101 not out. This was a fine innings that deservedly won the match for Centurions.

Now it all goes down to the wire with next week's match against Rogerstone being another one that Centurions must win.

LS

MF

DINAS' WOLVES SHOW BITE

SLOW starters Dinas Wolves under-12s managed to spread the ball wide and fast early on in this derby match, causing Dinas Real problems on each flank.

An early penalty converted by Saunders settled the nerves before he added his second; Hewitson then showed his quality with number three.

Wolves then started to knock the ball around going from front to back and side to side. Further goals from Saunders, Hewitson, Pereria and Booker gave the Dinas Wolves team a comfortable lead.

In the second half Real's rearguard were in a stubborn mood - Couch in goals was in no mood to concede as he pulled off save after save. Real tried to play out and to their credit were always looking to pass out and play.

Swapping positions around saw Frost get on the scoresheet in a more advanced role as he slotted home. Doughty added another soon after before Hewitson grabbed a couple more.

Fifield, Quest, Booker and Lewis all looked comfortable on the ball, Williams, Moss and Mallum certainly weren't going to concede and Morris looked very impressive playing a very high line between the sticks.

As both sets of players knew each other so well the game was played in a very much friendly spirit. Players joking and laughing at missed chances and generally showing a lot of respect for each other.

A big thank you to Mark Harvey for organising the referee, the lads certainly appreciated it and learnt so much having a proper official in the middle. Man of the match was awarded Zac Fifield.

LS

MF

The Saints upstage the Cossacks

BARRY Saints produced a great team performance to dismantle a feisty Cardiff Cossacks.

Saints found themselves 1-0 up after Nathan Williams headed the ball against the crossbar with David Evans sliding the rebound across the box for Darren Townsend to steer the ball into the back of the net.

Townsend got his second with an accurate finish into the bottom corner after a beautiful pass by David Evans. A free kick from the halfway line again by Evans was whipped in where Williams controlled the ball beautifully before smashing a half-volley into the goal.

As Cossacks pressed, Saints took them apart with crisp passing football with the defenders starting the move, working the ball into the creative Evans who squared the ball with Townsend finishing off the post with a powerful effort.

Saints continued to press in the second half and were rewarded when Williams finished off another lovely passing

move which started from the back, the ball hitting the post before crossing the line.

Townsend with his usual unselfish play turned provider, squaring the ball from the left hand side for Williams to grab another and a carbon copy from the right hand side allowing Cummings to add another.

David Evans scored from the penalty spot after Cummings was bundled over in the box. Cossacks pulled a goal back from a deflected long range effort, but Williams grabbed his fourth with another low finish before Cossacks added a second from a corner.

Williams finished the scoring, converting from another Townsend cross. The match ended on a bad note for the opposition as a Cossacks player decided to take out his frustrations on a Saints winger and received his marching orders, but the Saints looked in good shape and back to their best.

The Saints are looking for a sponsor; anyone wishing to support the club should e-mail glong147@yahoo.co.uk.

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The Vale of Glamorgan Council (A4226, PORT ROAD (WEST) (PART) AND PORKHERRY ROAD (PART) RHOOSE AMENDMENT TO EXISTING 50MPH SPEED RESTRICTION) ORDER 2014

1. On the 5th September 2014, The Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under section 84 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) and of all other enabling powers made an Order the general effect of which is as described below.

2. The Order will come into operation on the 15th September 2014 or on the date that the appropriate signs are in place whichever is the later and a copy of the Order and a plan showing the affected area may be seen at the address shown below during normal office hours.

3. If you wish to question the validity of the Order or any provisions contained therein on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the above Act or on the grounds that any requirements of the same or that any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order you may within six weeks from 15th September 2014 apply to the High Court for this purpose.

SCHEDULE

Amend schedule 2 of the following Order:

The Vale of Glamorgan Council (Port Road (West) A4226 Barry Extension to 40mph speed restriction and new 50mph speed restriction order 2008).

From:

"A4226 and Port Road West, no person shall cause a vehicle to travel at a speed greater than 50mph from a point approximately 600 metres west of Waycock Cross roundabout to the Airport cargo entrance roundabout, a distance of approximately 2,300 metres".

To read:

"A4226, Port Road West (part) and Porthkerry Road (part), no person shall cause a vehicle to travel at a speed greater than 50mph from a point 600 metres west of Waycock Cross roundabout, to a point 67 metres east of Pentir Y De and Porthkerry Road roundabout, a distance of approximately 3,800 metres".

Dated this 11th day of September 2014

M. E. Punter,
Director of Visible Services & Housing
Vale of Glamorgan Council,
The Alps, Wenvoe, CF5 6AA.



Cyngor Bro Morgannwg 2014 NEWID CYFYNGIAD CYFLYMDRA 50 M.Y.A. (A4226, PORT ROAD WEST RHAN YN UNIG) / PORKHERRY ROAD (RHAN YN UNIG) Y RHWS)

1. Ar 5 Medi 2014, yr oedd Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, gan arfer ei bwerau dan adran 84 Deddf Rheoli Traffig Ffyrdd (ddiwygiedig) a phob pŵer galluogi arall, wedi gwneud Gorchymyn i'r diben cyffredinol a ddisgrifiwyd isod.

2. Daw'r Gorchymyn i rym ar 15 Medi 2014, neu ar y dyddiad y bydd yr arwyddion priodol i gyd yn eu lle. Cewch weld y Gorchymyn a chynllun sy'n dangos yr ardal dan sylw, yn y cyfeiriad isod yn ystod oriau swyddfa arferol.

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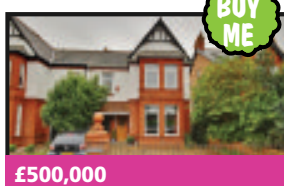


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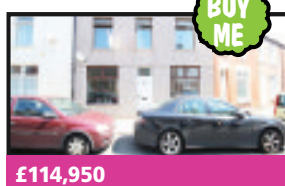


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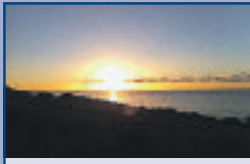
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To whom it may concern, I, Stephen Case, do hereby give notice that I have applied to The Licensing Authority (Vale of Glamorgan Council) for the variation to Premises Licence at Habana's Bar & Grill, 80-81 High Street, Barry CF62 7DX.

This includes: Late night refreshment and regulated entertainment Sun-Wed 12.00-00.01 Thurs-Sun 12.00-03.01.

The retail sale of alcohol Sun-Wed 7.00-00.01; Thurs-Sun 07.00-03.01.

Opening hours: Sun-Wed 07.00-00.30; Thurs-Sun 07.00-03.30.

Plus non-standard timings applied.

Any person(s) wishing to make representations to this application may do so in writing to the Licensing Department, Vale of Glamorgan Council, Civic Offices, Holton Road, Barry, CF63 4RU, not later than 28 days after the date of this notice (as below). Representation received after this date will not be considered.

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make false statements in connection with this application, the maximum fine on summary conviction being £5,000.

Date 03/09/14

PUBLIC NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003

Notice is hereby given that an application was made to the Vale of Glamorgan Council for a premises licence under the above Act on the 3rd September 2014.

Applicant: D K Forecourts Ltd. Address of premises: Spar Convenience Store, Cardiff Road, Barry, CF63 2BE. Proposed licensable activities: Sale of Alcohol for consumption off the premises and the provision of Late Night Refreshment. Proposed days and hours of licensable activity: Every Day Alcohol Sales 00.00 to 24.00; Late Night Refreshment 23.00 to 05.00.

The postal address of the Licensing Authority where the register is kept and the application may be inspected is: "Vale of Glamorgan Council, Licensing Team, Civic Offices, Holton Road, Barry, CF63 4RU. Any person wishing to make representations on this matter shall give notice, in writing, stating the nature and grounds for making such representations to The Licensing Officer at the above address" within 28 days of the date of this notice - by the 1st October 2014. Further information is available on the web site www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk following the links.

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JONES

David Ieuan Lloyd (Dil)
Passed away peacefully after a long illness on 6 September. Dil of Barry. Beloved husband of Dilys. Loving father to Debbie and Cheryl and devoted Pops to Tom and Rosy. Dil will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams & Son funeral home, Gladstone Road, Barry until the funeral on Monday, 15 September. Service and committal at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road East, Barry where family and friends please meet at 12 noon.

Family flowers only, if desired, donations may be handed to the funeral director after the funeral for Alzheimer's research.

Richards-Stanley Kenneth (Ken)

Passed away suddenly on September 2, 2014 at Y Bwthyn Newydd, Bridgend. Ken will be sadly missed by his devoted wife June of 56 years, daughters Julie and Lynne, son-in-law Philip, grandchildren Rhianon, Caitlin and in-laws Jean and Pat, and all his friends and family.

Resting at W.A. Brown & Son, College St, Llantwit Major until his service and cremation at Coychurch Crematorium on Tuesday, 16 September at 1.45pm. Family flowers only, but donations if desired may be made to Y Bwthyn Newydd c/o the Funeral Director (cheques only).

PHILLIPS Helen Rhian

Peacefully on September 6 at Holme Tower Marie Curie Centre, Penarth, Helen of Ystradowen (nee Thomas of Pengelli Farm, Pendoylan), dearly loved wife of Nicholas, devoted mother of Alys and Isabel, loving daughter of Brenda and Jeff Thomas.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W James & Sons, Fommon. Funeral Friday September 19, service and interment 2.30pm in Ystradowen Church, near Cowbridge. No flowers by request, donations in lieu, if desired, to Velindre Hospital or Marie Curie Cancer Care c/o J James, 11 Fommon Road, Rhosce, Vale of Glamorgan CF62 3DZ.

Thank You

THANK YOU

Mrs Kathleen Aspinall

I would like to thank all my children for all they did for me on my 80th Birthday, especially my Robert and Kerry.

Thanks to all my grandchildren, also my family and friends for such a wonderful evening.

I love you all. xxx

Birth Notices

Imogen Violet Ruiz

Born 06.09.14 7lb 14oz

Congratulations to Katie & James on the safe arrival of our beautiful First Granddaughter

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Retirement

Happy Retirement Judith Savory!

All the staff at Porthkerry Dental Centre would like to wish 'Jude' a very happy retirement.

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Anniversaries

Golden Wedding

Congratulations to Jeff & Barbara Lewis who celebrate 50 years of marriage on 19th September

Married in St. Mark's Church, Pontypridd, they celebrated their anniversary with their children & grandchildren in Majorca.

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50th Wedding Anniversary

Richard & Barbara Jones (Nee Johnson)

Married in St Mary's Church, Barry on 12th September 1964.

Thank you for all the memories and happy years. Lots of love Richard xxx

JAMES LLYN JOHN MBE

Sue, John and family would like to thank everyone for their kindness and sympathy following the recent death of Llyn. Thank you to all at Milsom House Nursing Home for the dignified way they cared for him and them in his final days.

Many thanks to everyone who attended the funeral, to St Athan Golf Club for their involvement and to Rachael for making the service so personal to him. A special thank you to those who travelled many miles to attend and to Leanne for providing a feast after.

THOMAS Gladys Rosemary

Peacefully on September 1 at her home in Llantwit Major, Glad (Teddy), beloved wife of Austin formerly of Bonvilston, dearly loved mother of Brett, Diane and Mike, much loved grandmother and great-grandmother.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W James & Sons, Fommon. Funeral Wednesday September 17, service 1.45pm at Gileston Church followed by cremation at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend at 3.15pm.

No flowers by request, donations in lieu, if desired, to Ty Hafan c/o J James, 11 Fommon Road, Rhosce, Vale of Glamorgan CF62 3DZ.

BERYL HOPKIN

The family would like to thank everyone for the many cards, beautiful flowers and support, for those who attended and those who travelled many miles to be with them for the funeral. Thanks also to those who were unable to attend but who sent their kind wishes.

Many thanks to Reverend David Boulton for officiating the service. We greatly appreciate the support and friendship that has been given to Beryl since losing Hoppy. A special thank you for the impeccable care and kindness given to Beryl by everyone during her last few years at The Manor House St Hilary and the professionalism and sensitivity shown by Funeral Directors William James & Son.

BROADBENT Betty (nee Norman)

Very peacefully on September 1st in hospital. Betty, aged 86 years of Barry, formerly Sully. Beloved wife of the late Harry, much loved mum to Philip. Grandmother to Anthony, Lisa, Nadine and Philip. Greatly missed by her great grandchildren, Francine and her family.

Resting at James Summers & Son, Lavernock Court, Penarth until the service in the funeral home on Tuesday, September 16th at 9.30am; afterwards to Penarth Cemetery.

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Golfers pay tribute to Colin Jones



GARETH BALE-S OUT WALES!

WALES' Euro 2016 qualifying campaign kicked off on Tuesday night with a hard-fought win over Andorra, with that man Gareth Bale yet again dragging the team to a win that puts the Welsh onto the front foot in their group.

Playing on a 3G pitch that seemed unsuitable for amateur football, let alone a qualifying game, Wales fell behind after only six minutes when Neil Taylor was harshly judged to have dragged down an Andorran attacker in the box.

The converted penalty was Andorra's first competitive goal in four years, and with an emphasis even at that early stage, on defending their lead, Wales found it difficult to get back into the game.

Bale's header from Ben Davies's inch-perfect cross got the team back on a level footing in the 22nd minute, but all too often after that the Welsh were undone by a lack of accuracy (hardly surprising given the quality of the pitch), poor performances from the likes of Aaron Ramsey and playing a formation which ill-suited them.

Bale's magical free kick in the 82nd minute gave Wales the lead, and the win, finally, but better performances will be needed in next month's back-to-back home games with Bosnia and Cyprus.

GARETH JAMIESON



THE Colin Jones Memorial day was played at Brynhill Golf Club recently in memory of one of our most loved members

The club has even named our sports bar in memory of him.

The day was superb with members from all over the country coming to play and enjoy what turned out to be an amazing day played in great spirit. A thank you to our head greenkeeper in getting the course in great shape to play this day.

All prizes were presented by Jodi Winter, Colin's partner, and Claire Jones, Colin's daughter.

Winners were: Liam O'Flaherty (non-members winner), Julie Harkin (ladies winner) and Lee Price (men's winner).

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OTHER RESULTS

August 5 - four ball better ball, winners Jan Robertson and Robbie Lee 46 pts over back 9 from Judy Davies and Alma Shepard.

August 19, Daily Mail trophy, winners Glynis Gould and Margaret Cod 72 nett, runners-up Julie Harkin and Maria Gentile 73 nett.

August 26, Waterford Crystal, silver Shirley Lewis 37 pts, runner-up Linda Hewlett 35 pts; bronze Margaret Codd 33 pts, runner-up Glynis Gould- 32 pts.

September 2, Millennium Plate, winner Shirley Lewis 37 pts, runner-up Sue Holland 35 pts.

Superbowl plate Robbie Lee, runner-up Judy Davies; Parkstone, Liz Brown, runner-up Helena Coombes; Foursomes knock-out Maria Gentile and Julie Harkin, runners-up Sue Holland and Helena Coombes.

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BARRY EMERGE VICTORIOUS IN GAME WITH RISCA

AFTER Barry's 8-0 victory away at Splott Albion, they went into this game against Risca United with high expectations.

Barry's opponents, who came up with them last season, rested one place below them in the table; could Barry continue their unbeaten run at a sun blessed Jenner Park?

Barry got off to a bad start against the visitors and were punished when Risca's David Healy scored from superb cross in the eighth minute.

Barry soon bounced back to top form and pressurised the Risca defence. They were awarded a free kick in the 14th minute which got them the equalizer through Rhys Evans.

Barry kept attacking and within 10 minutes, Curtis Hudson scored, making it 2-1 at halftime.

Throughout the second half Barry had all the possession. Curtis Hudson had a great second half but the Risca defence just stopped him getting the ball in the back of the net.

Five minutes before the end, Risca's Ethen Shire got a straight red card; the recipient of his tackle, Michael Hartley,

will unfortunately now miss Barry's game against Merthyr Tydfil in the cup. With 10 points from 4 games, Barry retained their unbeaten run, now lying third in the league - can they push for promotion at the end of the season?

JH

Rhoose FC maintain good start

RHOOSE FC's good start to the season continued apace with an emphatic 3-0 away win against Treharris Athletic on Saturday, taking their unbeaten run to five matches.

The Vale side's high tempo, slick passing game seemed to surprise the home side and Rhoose soon took the initiative with some fluid moves down both flanks. Michael Osbourn went close with a fine header following an excellent run from Nathan White down the left.

Rhoose inevitably went ahead on the half hour mark with a speculative, low 22 yard shot from ace marksman Nicky Davison that evaded the Treharris keeper.

They doubled their lead soon after when Drew Fahiya finished another slick move down the left hand side, again following good work from man of the match Nathan White.

The second half on balance, saw the home side start to take the initiative, but Rhoose absorbed all Treharris could throw at them and went further ahead with a brilliant finish from Nathan White following a break from defence that saw an excellent defensive interception from Martyn Giles and fine approach work from matchmaker Jacob Daley.

Rhoose travel to Port Talbot on Saturday for a tough Welsh Cup qualifying round 2 encounter with South Wales Amateur League highfliers Trefelin.

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The first half saw Morris have very little to do but anytime he was called into

action he started the play off from the back. Frost, Williams, Mossey and Mallum always offered to play from the back.

The lads in midfield looked very comfortable on the ball as Lewis, Doughty, Fifield and O'Brien bossed the middle. Quest, Booker and Perria showed how to work the flanks, while the goal machines Hewitson and Saunders gave the Vale side a lesson in finishing.

A very pleasing start to junior football and again the parents were a credit.

Scorers: Hewitson (7), Saunders (5), Pereira, Doughty, Man of the match - Robson Mallum. **LS**

Dinas ladies start with win



ON a bright warm sunny afternoon Dinas Powys ladies started their season off with a bang against Sully, winning 5-3.

Nao, H Beddoe and Ellen Phillips had great chances to open the scoring as they were all clean through with only

the Sully keeper to beat, but credit to the visiting keeper she stood strong.

Sully then took the lead totally against the run of play after poking home a scrappy goal from a corner. Changes were made and Dinas got their passing game from the back working, feeding the front girls with quality balls.

Sully decided to play a highline which allowed Dinas to get in behind, and after Ellen was brought down in the box skipper Emma Bridgeman slotted the pen home. Sully had a few chances but the back three coped with the long balls very well. As half time approached Nao again exposed the Sully defence and slotted home from a tight angle.

The second half saw the home side fly out of the blocks as Sam Saunders fed Nao to add number three minutes after the restart. The game then went end to end and Sully were piling on the pressure.

Sully then had a somewhat dubious free kick on the edge of the box, which the Sully midfielder slotted home. The next goal was vital and the home side continued to play out using their back three to build up.

Sully hit the wood work with a pile driver

but the home side were in no mood to let this lead slip. Tracey White proved a big strength in the middle as Jo Jones and Saunders looked to feed the strikers with through balls. Ellen Phillips scored a top class goal to stretch the lead, latching on to a Nao pass.

As the impressive White and Lewis left the pitch an injection of pace was added in Brook Howell and Molly Chapman. Molly certainly made an impression on her debut as she out ran the fullback and, following a brave challenge from the home keeper, slotted home the fifth.

With only a few minutes remaining Sully scored their third from a similar free kick giving the talented Harold no chance.

Player of the match on her home debut was Leanne Pattemore. **LS**

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BARRY Inter AFC under-12s faced Pontprennau Pumas in their very first Cardiff and District league, and it truly was a game of the proverbial two halves.

The first was filled with end to end action and mistakes on both sides. Inter went straight at them and were rewarded with a first minute goal, credited to Lestyn, but Pumas equalised and that set the tone.

Inter struck again with a Jacob goal only to see that cancelled out with another Puma goal. They then struck again, but Rory and James saw out the half with a goal apiece.

In the second half, quality defending by Josh, Aaron, Lloyd and Charlie, and Sion as sub, along with top goalkeeping from Connor, made sure

the second half was a total shut out, with further goals for Inter coming from the pacey Owen and Eski.

The game was played with good spirit and at times there really wasn't much to choose between these two sides. Thanks to Pontprennau Pumas for a smashing game. Also a big thank you to the referee Adrian for doing a sterling job and to David for coaching and also to Jeremy Neale, our secretary, for taking us forward and forming this side.

Squad: C.Denbury, J.Penikett, L.Chick, C.Tonna, A.Heathfield, M.Guthrie, J.Thomas, I.Neale, I.Escott, S.Cule, O.Edwards, J.Penikett, J.Chapman, R.Turner- Robinson. **DD**

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Rhose Lifeguards Nipper team finish season on a high



Rhose Nippers



The Masters team.

CONGRATULATIONS to the the Nipper team from Rhose Lifeguards who won the Pen-y-bont surf lifesaving carnival recently.

The team have had a very successful summer season and winning the last beach and sea competition of the year is a great way to finish! This is also the last Nipper competition for Oliver Wong, Helen Jenkins and Declan Ewington who move up to the junior age group next year. A big thank you to the three Nippers for all of your efforts with the team.

In the meantime, the club may have found themselves a new mascot for next year (see picture on right!)

RHOSE LIFEGUARDS COMPETE AT GB CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Masters, Junior and Nipper teams from Rhose Lifeguards recently competed at the British Surf Lifesaving Championships at Exmouth.

With good weather and calm sea conditions during the week of events, the competitors and their families had a very enjoyable time.

Starting the week of competition, the Masters team comprising Karen O'Donoghue-Harris, Melissa Downton, Michele Wall, Jamie Downton, Rob Salter, Darron Cordon, Andy Wall and Richard Davidson all

put in impressive displays in the beach and sea events. Congratulations to individual GB Champions Karen and Darron.

Following the Masters, the Junior team began their two day competition.

The team, managed by Steve Baker again put in some excellent performances against some tough competition in the individual and team events.

Well done to all of the competitors with special congratulations to Kelsea and Ellie Peterson, who won medals in their individual events.

Lastly, the Nipper team, led by Nipper co-ordinator Liz Wong, started their two-day campaign. Again with the weather on their side and great support from family and friends, the Nippers achieved some very respectable positions in the team and relay events.

With some of the Nippers having never competed at national championship level, all put in a great effort and should be very proud of their achievements over the two days.

Well done the GB champion Evie Wong for winning gold in a number of her individual events.

All teams did particularly well given the high level of competition, with the Masters team finishing their competition in eight place, the Juniors 10th and the Nippers 12th.

A full list of individual event medal winners is as follows:

Masters: Karen O'Donoghue-Harris – Gold board race, Gold ski race, Gold Oceanwoman, Gold beach flags, Melissa Downton – Silver beach sprint, Silver 1km run, Bronze board race, Bronze ski race, Darron Cordon – Gold surf swim, Bronze Oceanman, Richard Davidson – Bronze surf swim, Rob Salter – Bronze 1km run.

Juniors: Kelsea Peterson – Silver ski race, Silver beach flags, Ellie Peterson – Silver beach flags.

Nippers: Evie Wong – Gold 1km run, Gold beach flags, Gold beach sprint, Bronze surf race, Gwenno Goode – Bronze 1km run.

Many more medals were also won in the beach and sea relays.

Junior Team: Kelsea Peterson, Ellie Peterson, Sara Phillips, Georgia Wall, Jason Grice, Alex Parry, Tomos Wilshaw, Dyfan Goode, Declan Ewington.

Nipper Team: Ellie Bryan, Robert Grice, Matthew Sims, Xantia Hobrough, Elena Gibson, Gwenno Goode, Katie Sims, Evie Wong, Ella Bulmer, Elloise Strange, Ben Ewington, Jamie Jenkins, Emily Parker, Lisa Grice, Kiera Harris, Brooke Peterson, Ethan Wall, Morgan Jenkins, Oliver Wong, Declan Ewington, Taran Downton, Talia Downton.

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The new mascot!



Declan, Helen and Ollie.

LLANTWIT YOUTH MAKE THEIR BOW

AFTER three years without a youth set up, Llantwit Major RFC welcomed local rivals Barry to The Rec for their first outing of the new season.

The home team were welcomed to the senior section of the club by vice-chair Tim Jones before the game. The development of the youth side has taken several years of hard work by the junior coaching team and the players themselves.

The game opened with the home side having the better of the opening exchanges, particularly in the contact area where good recycling by the forwards was giving the backs fast, front foot ball to make holes in the shaken Barry defence.

Barry resorted to killing the ball to try to slow the attack down, only to incur the wrath of the referee who awarded Llantwit a penalty just outside the 22. However, the usually reliable Llantwit kicker Iestyn Jones missed the shot at goal.

Despite this early setback, the home side continued to pile on the pressure and once again the visitors conceded a penalty; this time Jones found the target.

As often happens, the side that takes the lead switches off from the restart and this was certainly true of Llantwit, who failed to deal with the kick off and instantly found themselves leaking a converted try.

Both sides tried to play some expansive rugby for the rest of the first half. Barry began to gain some dominance but Llantwit had a couple of excellent try-scoring opportunities which some poor decision

making squandered. Barry added two further unconverted to ease to a 17-3 lead at halftime.

The second half opened much as the first had finished – with the Llantwit boys having to defend their lines. The new centre pairing of Joe Bunt and Joel Thomas were solid and both players made some superb hits to disrupt the visitors' patterns. Eventually however, pressure told and Barry were awarded a kickable penalty which was duly added to the score.

The huge defensive effort of the first half was beginning to take its toll on the home side and with the visitors piling on the pressure, they added five further tries before the final whistle.

Llantwit did have a golden try-scoring opportunity towards the end of the game when Thomas broke through the defence to create a one on one with the Barry fullback.

With acres of space to run in to he decided to take route one and try to smash the last defender out of the way; however the fullback held his ground and managed to halt the rampaging Thomas.

While disappointed with the final 52-3 scoreline, the team did show glimpses of what they are capable of.

There are certainly plenty of positives to take from the performance and the promise of much better to come as the team beds in to youth rugby.

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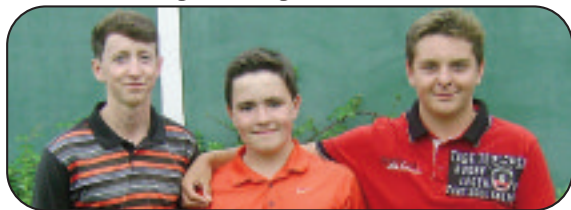


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Double triumph for St Andrew's Major juniors



THERE seems to be no stopping the talented juniors at St Andrew's Major Golf Club this season, because once again three members of the junior 'Elite' squad took top honours recently when the club held the combined Bard's Bowl and Stewards' Cup over the weekend of August 30-31.

Jordan Taylor, the 16-year-old junior captain, carded a 74 gross playing off a handicap of 6, with Iestyn James (15) finishing third with a gross 78.

They have represented the club in most of the men's first team this season and are both seen as future club champions. The Bard's Bowl was won by Dan Thomas

(13), whose gross 86 could have been far better as his card included both a 9 and 8.

Dan has already won the 'Champion of Champions' at the club this season and has won over many admirers amongst the adults with his impressive golf game.

The regular coaching

sessions organised by Steve Thomas and the coaching from golf professional John Hastings have given St Andrew's Golf Club a talented crop of junior members who are a credit to themselves and the club.

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Award for local club

PENARTH Karate Jutsu Kai have worked hard to become inclusive, and this is echoed by the club achieving the Inspirt Bronze Award.

Lee Costa would like to express its gratitude to Disability Sport Wales and Sport Wales for giving the opportunity to achieve this award. Further information on special needs classes, as well as present existing beginners classes at our full time dojo (Cogan Leisure Centre, Penarth), can be found on the website www.karate-jutsu.org or via Sensei Lee Costa on 07974 972 479.

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On and off the turf with BRIAN LEE

BRIDGEND jockey Rhys Flint was down to ride Jim Best's *St Helena* in the 32Red Casino Handicap Hurdle at Southwell last week while the legendary A P McCoy was supposed to have ridden the horse's stable companion *Into The Wind*.

However, the 19-time champion jockey switched to *St Helena* after his mount was declared a non-runner on account of the ground and the gambled on mare duly obliged.

A British Horse Authority statement read: "Before racing, the stewards interviewed Jim Best about the withdrawal of *Into The Wind* and the change of jockey. Following the race, the stewards held an inquiry into the apparent improvement in form of *St Helena*. The findings will be forwarded to our Integrity and Regulatory teams."

DAVID'S GERMAN WIN

David Probert, who hails from Bargoed, won Germany's top mile race the Oettingen-Rennen

at Baden Baden on *Here Comes When*, which is trained by Andrew Balding.

This is the second time in three years Probert and Baldwin have been successful in this race and Probert said: "I knew I was going to win when we turned into the straight. He loves soft ground and was going so easily throughout."

JORDAN STANDS OUT

Another Bargoed jockey who is making a name for himself is Jordan Williams, who just days after riding his first winner over the sticks on his grandfather Bernard Llewellyn's *Going Nowhere Fast* at Stratford notched up his first winner on the flat at Haydock last Wednesday when scoring on his grandfather's *Gift Of Silence* in the BetFred Please Donate On Your Way Out Handicap over a mile-and-a-half.

Jordan, 16, is a graduate of the pony racing circuit and has won around 50 pony races at point-to-point race tracks up and down the country. His mother Beth Williams was a successful amateur rider.

Vale Resort's Tenovus 'Legends Golf Day'

TENOVUS are delighted to announce the launch of the inaugural Legends Golf Day, taking place at the luxury four star Vale Resort on Thursday, September 18.

The Tenovus Legends Golf Day will be hosted by Wales and Lions rugby legend Dafydd James, who has challenged fellow sporting stars to join him in what promises to be a competitive event!

Dafydd said: "I'm delighted to be hosting an event like this and can't wait to get out on the course with our team of legends and Tenovus supporters. I'm looking forward to seeing what our players can deliver on the course, and raising lots of money for such a brilliant charity."

The event takes in 18 holes on one of the longest inland courses in the UK and is sure to be a sell-out spectacular. Each team will consist of three entrants, who will be joined by their very own sporting legend! Entry costs £400 per team.

The day commences with registration at 8am, a shotgun start at 9am and a supper and prize giving from 3.30pm.

This exciting event will raise vital money towards funding

Tenovus's cancer support services which include counselling, for anyone affected by cancer. Counselling can be particularly important for men, who may find it hard to talk things through with family or friends.

David Payne from Pontyclun was diagnosed with Glioblastoma Multiforma Level 4, an aggressive incurable brain tumour back in October 2010. He said: "After a terminal diagnosis, having my Tenovus counsellor to talk to made all the difference. I found the sessions emotional rewarding and energising. The ability of the counsellor to help you cope with the illness was truly inspiring."

"I have been the main source of income for the family; I managed a National Company, run my own business and was the one everyone relied on. "Suddenly I couldn't drive, lost my left periphery vision, my confidence sapped away I became dependent on others."

"As a husband father and son I made every effort to protect my love one's from the emotions that surrounds a diagnosis of this type but I needed someone to lean on who do you turn to?"

"That's when Tenovus entered my life - the counselling afforded me has been an incredible help. I feel at peace and in control. I describe Tenovus it as my rubber ring that kept me afloat, when I felt I was drowning."

For more information or to book your place please contact us on 029 2076 8850 or email us at events@tenovus.org.uk.

Barrivale bridge results

LATEST results from Barrivale Bridge Club, WBU sims heat, for September 2:

First, Peter Millar and Mark Roderick, 65.10 per cent; second, Simon and Debbie Richards, 56.25 per cent; third, Mike Close and Kay Dyer, 54.69 per cent.

Peter Millar and Mark Roderick also won on handicap.

New members are always welcome at Barrivale. If you would like to join us ring 01446 418380 or 01446 733425 or call at the Pioneer Hall, Beryl Road, Barry on Tuesdays at 7pm.

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Barry RFC start the season with bonus point win



ABOVE and BELOW: Action from Barry's 48-19 victory over Cowbridge RFC on Saturday. PICTURES BY HOWARD POOLE.

THE Reservoir Field was the setting last Saturday afternoon for Barry's opening game of the new season in the newly created Division 3 East Central A.

The visitors were local rivals Cowbridge RFC, and judging on previous meetings between the two sides, a hard-fought encounter was anticipated by the players and supporters of both sides.

In the beautiful late summer weather, conditions which were ideal for open running rugby, both teams gave the spectators (including former Wales international footballer Craig Bellamy) a treat with a total of 10 tries being scored, seven by Barry and three by Cowbridge.

For the first 10 minutes or so of the game the sides were evenly balanced with play being shared equally between the two teams, both trying to settle down after the summer months of non-competitive rugby.

After 11 minutes Barry suffered the first casualty of the new season when Callum Scott had to leave the field and was replaced by Glyn Jones.

The spectators had to wait 15 minutes or so for the first score of the afternoon which came after a solid piece of scrummaging by the Barry pack. One of the Cowbridge players was deemed to be offside at the scrum and Barry outside half Einar Scott made no mistake with the ensuing 35 yard penalty.

This opening score seemed to be the catalyst that the Barry XV needed



and for the rest of the first half they had the lion's share of the ball and were encamped in the Cowbridge half for long periods of play.

On the few occasions that Cowbridge did attack during this period their big strong running backs looked very dangerous when they got the ball, but Barry were resolute in defence and were always able to stop them in their tracks before they were able to do any damage.

The first try of the afternoon came after 25 minutes when after some good solid play by the Barry pack, a loose ball was picked up by Einar Scott who made a long snaking run to go over for his first try of the afternoon which he duly converted to give Barry a 10 point lead.

Barry kept the pressure on and went close to scoring on a number of occasions, only to be denied by some good defensive play by Cowbridge.

During this period Barry suffered their second casualty of the game when D. Busuttil picked up a hamstring injury and was replaced by Tom Poole. After 30 minutes play Cowbridge were able to put their first points on the board with a well-taken, unconverted try.

However the home team's efforts were

effort from 25 yards out.

Barry scored their final try in the 75th minute when a well placed penalty kick to touch by E. Scott resulted in a throw in on the Cowbridge 10 yard line.

From the lineout, the Barry forwards were able to take and drive, enabling prop James Hollister to score try number seven for Barry at the breakdown. The conversion failed and Barry were 48-12 up.

This should have been the final score but a few missed tackles in the final minute of the game gave Cowbridge the opportunity to score their third try of the game and add a further seven points to their total, the final score Barry 48, Cowbridge 19.

This was an excellent game to watch and an encouraging start by Barry for the new season, playing in the new league structure under the new coaching team of Jon Bryant and Liam Scott.

Although it seems a little unfair to single out individuals out when the team played so well as a unit to win as they did, it would be very remiss not to mention the contributions of Einar Scott (28 points) and Owain Poole (15 points) who both scored a hat trick of tries.

Hopefully, this could be the dawn of a new era for Barry, and if they continue to give performances like this there is no reason why it shouldn't be.

The next game is an away game against Dinas Powys this Saturday, September 13, kick off 2.30pm.

Members please note that the club AGM will be on Wednesday October 1, commencing at 7.30pm.

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Dinas Powys FC would like to thank Vale Scaffolding for sponsoring their match day bibs.

A hard-fought game sees Dinas take the three points

THIS was an entertaining, hard-fought game between Dinas Powys and Croesyceiliog, which either side could have won, but Dinas showed their determination to come back from conceding a penalty to bag two well-taken goals to take the points, winning 2-1.

Dinas were able to field a stronger team than in previous games, including new signing Atif Bashir, the experienced Pakistan international, who was very influential in the midfield.

The home side started brightly with Luke Swaffield and Ryan Garland linking up well down the right flank but Croesy soon got into their stride and looked dangerous at times, forcing a free kick from 25 yards which was blocked and finally went out for a goalkick.

When Keiron James lost possession just outside the Dinas box Ryan Hayward fired in a shot which was just wide.

Dinas began to press the visitors back and from a free kick after James was fouled, Garland and Swaffield again made progress down the right Garland put in a good cross to Nicky Bruce, who put in a looping header on target which Lee Waddon gathered just under his crossbar.

The play was very even, flowing from end to end, but the Dinas rearguard were well organised with skipper James Bloxham and James Marr winning all the high balls pumped into their area.

Bruce found Ben Ah-Mun with an excellent pass, he in turn played it

out wide to James but his cross was too near Waddon, who grabbed the ball with the Dinas front men bearing down on him.

Another chance came Dinas' way when a Bruce free kick hit a defender and went out for an unproductive corner, and just when it looked as though the pressure would tell, Croesy broke out, played a ball into the Dinas box which hit a defender's hand, the referee pointing to the penalty spot.

Zac Osborne hit it hard and low and although Jack Perks guessed the right way, the pace of the shot beat him to give Croesy the lead on 33 minutes.

Dinas upped the work rate to try and get on terms; striker Ah-Mun pressed hard forcing a corner, taken by Bruce, which was headed up in the air by a defender and Waddon raced off his line to thwart the danger and gather the ball.

However, just a minute from the interval Dinas levelled. A long free kick from Bruce found Ryan Garland, he chested it down and jinked past a defender to drive the ball past Waddon for a fine goal.

In the dying seconds of the half, with Bashir's composure on the ball making a difference, Bloxham hit a powerful shot from an acute angle forcing a good save from Waddon.

The second half continued in similar fashion, both sides having half chances early on, and when Bashir was adjudged to have fouled on the edge of the Dinas penalty area, Ben Evans hit a shot on target but Bruce belted it away.

Croesy were beginning to get on top for a while with Dinas struggling to clear their lines, forcing another corner which reached

central defender Jack Wellington but his header was well over the bar.

Bashir battled hard to win the ball in midfield and swept the ball out to Swaffield who was having a superb game, overlapping time and again down the right and putting in some excellent crosses. He put another one in but the Croesy defence cleared the danger.

The visitors did get the ball in the net twice within a couple of minutes but the referee's whistle had already gone for offside on both occasions.

Dinas were flagging a bit so managers Lee Saunders and Richie Garland rang the changes, Khalid Inyang and Garland being replaced by Jack Cole and King Junior Mwedzo with 20 minutes still to play.

Both sides had chances; probably the best for Croesy came from Osborne, who, latching onto a cross from the right, spun and shot but his effort sailed over the crossbar and at the other end Ah-Mun put in a good cross from the left which reached Swaffield but he hit his left foot shot straight at the keeper.

Dinas made their final substitution with

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UNITED IN CUP ACTION

BARRY Town United welcome Ystradgynlais to Jenner Park on Saturday afternoon in a Welsh Cup second qualifying round tie.

Kick-off is at 2pm, with admission at the turnstiles for £5 (adults), £4 (OAPs/students) and £3 (unaccompanied children). Accompanied children are welcomed free of charge.

This past weekend saw Gavin Chesterfield's side beat Risca United 2-1 in Welsh League Division Two, with first-half strikes from Ryan Evans and Curtis Hutson.

Unbeaten Barry had fallen behind early on, but rallied to earn their third win of the league campaign and maintain their place in the top three; see a full report on page 34.

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